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PREFACE.

THE object of the present publication, is to instruct the members of the Roman Catholic Church on the nature of the most solemn act of their religion. The Saviour who established that religion, charged his apostles, saying, That which I speak to you in the dark, speak ye in the light; and that which you hear in the ear, preach ye upon the housetops.* And the Council of Trent lays a solemninjunction upon pastors frequently to explain to the people the nature of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. To discharge his duty by obeying those distinct directions of Christ and of his Church, in the best manner he could, was the intention of the editor of this work. He was also of opinion that many well disposed members of other communions might be greatly benefited by its perusal; as he generally found them not only uninformed of the Catholic doctrines, but having on their minds the most extraordinary and erroneous impressions as to the belief of Roman Catholics.

The work consists, first, of an historical and instructive explanation of the plan and decorations of a Roman Catholic Church, of the vestments of the different Clergymen who may officiate therein, of the nature and institutions of the various ceremonies of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, and of those prayers which appeared to need explanation.

The doctrine of the Roman Catholic Church is. "That in the Mass, there is offered to God, a true, proper, and propitiatory sacrifice for the living and the dead," and "that the victim offered to God, is the body and blood, together with the soul and divinity of our Lord Jesus Christ, under the appearance of bread and wine." Assuming this doctrine to be true in all its parts, the Editor trusts the candid reader will find, upon examination, that the ceremonies are not only not ridiculous, but are deeply significant, highly instructive, wisely instituted, and greatly edifying. Every Roman Catholic necessarily believes this doctrine in its fullest extent and plainest meaning, otherwise he would cease to be a nember of the Church: as he is also suppose to. know the grounds upon which this doctrine rests, for if he be ignorant of them, his ignorance is the consequence of his neglect, it was deemed quite unnecessary to enter upon those grounds in the explanation to the Catholic reader; and to enter upon them with sufficient accuracy and expansion, to satisfy the mind of any other person, would require more space than could be conveniently given, or than would, indeed, be compatible with a principal object of the compiler-to keep the price of the book as low as possible.

To establish the doctrinal parts of the Liturgy,

would require the proofs of the "Real presence" of "Transubstantiation," of "Communion of Saints," of "The intercession of Angels and of Saints," of "respecting the relics of Saints." of "the existence of Purgatory," of "praying for the dead," and for the validity of the Sacrifice, of "the indelible character of Holv Orders," as well as of "the distinction of Orders," and "their divine institution." This range would be far too extensive to comprise in such a prefatory explanation, as the Missal required; and the subjects were too important to be only slightly touched upon, in place of being fully examined. Hence the Editor determined to avoid them altogether, and to refer those who may be desirous of information upon such topics, to the works written expressly for the elucidation and vindication of those doctrines. Therefore the explanation does not contain a single argument in support of doctrine. . The next part of the work is the translation of the Missal. The Editor has not advanced any positions of his own; his labour has been to compress, to connect, and to translate what had been diffusely written upon the subject by some of the best and earliest writers of the Church: indeed he could give nothing new; for the glory of the Church in which he has the honour to hold so responsible a station, as it is also a proof of her integrity, is that she has never deviated from *the form of sound words which she has heard from the Apostles, but † the things which she has heard of them by many witnesses, the same sts

*2 Tim. i. 13

2 Tim. ii. 2

has commended to faithful men who have been fit to teach others; and she has thus *stood fast, and held the traditions which she has learned of them, whether by word or by epistle. Her doctrine in all ages has been the same; such as it is now, it was one thousand years ago; such as it was then, it was in the days of the Apostles; such as they taught it, they received it from our Divine Redeemer, who sent them to teach all nations, with a promise of his special protection, tall days, even the consummation of the world. The ingenuity of man, his penetration and research, may enable him daily to discover new facts which were unobserved by his ancestors, and thus the arts and the sciences are in a state of perpetual progressive improvement. This vast territory of nature, in which so much treasure lies as yet concealed, is the mighty expanse in which God gave the human mind liberty to roam abroad at its discretion.

But as the Lord commanded boundaries to be set round Sinai while in the exhibition of his majesty, he vindicated his right to receive obedience, and commanded man to believe and to practise upon his authority; the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven are to be learned only by revelation, and the perfection of religion consists in the exact and scrupulous preservation of the truth originally disclosed. Man is not free to call God before his tribunal, and to demand from him the reason for his acts, nor is he at liberty to reject the propositions which have been

originally delivered, nor to depart from their spirit; and hence the Apostle St. Paul wrote, *Though we, or an angel from Heaven, preach a gospel to you, besides that which we have preached to you, let him be anothema. For the religion of Christ is essentially unchangeable, its doctrines are irreformable—for truth cannot become falsehood, nor falsehood become truth. Hence the Editor of this work has only sought for, and brought forward, what had been originally testified by that cloud of witnesses that has gone before him in the Church, and entreats, as a recompense for his labours, a share of the prayers of those who may profit thereby.

* Galet, i. &

EXPLANATION

OF

THE MASS.

THE Mass is the principal office of the new law, in which, under the appearance of bread and wine, the Redeemer of the world is offered up in an unbloody manner upon our altars, as a true, proper, and propi-

tiatory sacrifice for the living and the dead.

It is not a different sacrifice from that of the cross; for the victim in each is the same; the High Priest who makes the offering is the same: Christ having personally and manifestly made the oblation upon Calvary, and this High Priest, according to the order of Melchisedech, having instituted this office on the night before his death, commissioned his apostles and their successors, in all days, to the consummation of the world, to do the same, for a commemoration of him, to show forth his death until his second coming, they are his substitutes and representatives, whilst he is the principal but invisible offerer. The sacrifice, though repeated, is not different, but the mode of the oblation in the repetition differs from that bloody spectacle, which was exhibited in Jerusalem, in the person of him by whose bruises we were healed.

This holy sacrifice, in which Christ who is the Lamb without spot, offers himself upon our altars, is hat clean oblation referred to by the prophet Malachias, which is every where made to the eternal Father, from the rising of the sun to the going down hereof, and by which his name is magnified amongst

he Gentiles.

The intention of the compiler of this essay not being to enter into a controversial disquisition upon the nature of the Mass, but to give to those who hold the true faith concerning this great sacrifice, such an explanation of its accompaniments and ceremonies as may enable them to attend thereat with suitable devotion, and thereby obtain more abundant grace, he will not enter upon any of those grounds where the vindication of the doctrines of the Roman Catholic Church is found, but at once commence the explanation.

Sacrifice consists in the production of the victim, its oblation by a lawful minister, and a destructive change being made therein, in acknowledgment of God's supreme dominion. The person who performs the act of sacrifice is called a Priest, the place on

which it is performed an altar.

In the Mass, Christ is the victim; he is produced by the consecration, which by the power of God, and the institution of the Redeemer, and the act of the Priest, places the body and blood of Christ, under the appearance of bread and wine upon the altar; then the Priest makes an oblation of this victim to the eternal Father on behalf of the people, and the victim undergoes a destructive change, showing forth the death of the Redeemer, and making commemoration thereof, by the exhibition of the apparent separation of the body from the blood; the former being under the appearance of bread, and the latter under the appearance of wine, and by the consumption of both by the Priest.

The performance of this, is the essential part of the Mass; all that is necessary for its validity is the priestly character of the minister, and the consectation, oblation, and consumption of the victim. And for the performance hereof Christ left power to apostles, and to those to whom they should comminicate the same, and to their successors for ever"Do this for a commemoration of me." Luke xxii. 19

No particular dress is essentially necessary on the

part of the celebrant, nor is his power confined to the using of any particular language; nor is any ceremony, except those instituted by our Saviour, so essential as to be indispensably necessary to the validity of the sacrifice.

But it must be evident, that unless some regulations were made upon these points, there would be interminable variance, and perpetual changes; therefore, although our blessed Lord made no specific rule on this head, we find that particular dresses, and particular ceremonies have been adopted and established by va-

rious portions of the Church.

The Liturgy in use in this country, and in the principal portion of the western division of the Church, is that of Rome. Several other portions of the Roman Catholic Church follow other Liturgies. varying from us in their dress, ceremonies, and language, though their faith is exactly the same as ours, as is also their government, being under the guidance of Bishops, who acknowledge the supremacy of the Pope and hold his communion; but their Liturgies are in many instances equally ancient as ours; others are as ancient as the days of St. John Chrysostom. others as those of St. Basil, &c. This explanation shall be confined to the ceremonies of the Roman Missal, and the western portion of the Church, as practised in most parts of Europe and Africa, and in all America.

In the explanation we shall look for three meanings in every object and ceremony. The first, the literal, natural, and it may be said, the original meaning; the second, the figurative, or emblematic signification; and thirdly, the pious, or religious meaning—frequently the two last will be found the same; sometimes all three will be found combined.

We begin with the altar—'I'his is either entirely of stone, or a consecrated stone is placed on a table or wooden appearance of a tomb; the vicinity o. which is ornamented with architecture, paintings,

statues, vases, relics, &c., where they can be procured; and our churches are, where it can be conveniently done, so built as that the altars may be at the eastern end, and the celebrant may look towards that point, and the people pray towards that quarter.

Formerly the christians celebrated the sacred mysteries upon the tombs of the martyrs, which were of stone; but the persecutions having ceased, and large churches having been erected, the place where the holy sacrifice was to be offered was decorated, the appearance of the tomb was still preserved, and the relics of the martyrs transported thither, and preserved with care and respect, as testimonies of former triumphs, and excitements to future good conduct. Our religion had its origin in the east, and we turn towards that quarter to testify whence we have received our doctrines, and to beseech the assistance of that Saviour who, though he can hear us, whithersoever we may turn, yet has made Judea the great theatre of mercy and redemption, and there left the memorials of his acts and institutions.

The altar signifies Christ, who is the great corner stone of the spiritual edifice which he has raised up to his Father. The rising of the sun in the east, after it has sunk in the west, and been hidden during the night, may be well considered as an emblem of our resurrection, after the night of death; and as this luminary arises in glory, dispelling darkness, and invigorating the earth, so has Christ risen from his tomb to confound his enemies, spread his doctrine through the earth, and invigorate man by his grace. East is the old English name for rising, and hence the name Easter Sunday for that day on which we commemorate the resurrection of our Saviour.

There is one wooden altar now in St. 1 eter's church, in Rome, upon which only the Pope celebrates, and this has been preserved from the earliest Christian antiquity, as having been that upon which the blessed apostle St. Peter offered the holy sacrifice.

The law commanding that the altars should be of stone, prevails now in the church during upwards of fifteen hundred years.

This altar is covered with clean white linen or cotton cloths, as well for the decency of appearance as for the expression of the purity and sanctity which should accompany Christ. Lights are also placed on the altar, from the usage of the most ancient times It is an eastern custom, as St. Jerome testifies, to express joy, for even in the blaze of the sun, the torches and candles were lighted to manifest this feeling; and as our religion has been received from the east, most of our ancient customs are of eastern origin. These lights also signify the Holy Ghost, who on the day of Pentecost descended in the form of fiery tongues upon the apostles, and these tongues are well represented by the blaze of candles, which thus show that this sacred Spirit still presides in that church, in which he was to remain all days to the consummation of the world: they also signify the virtues of faith and charity which we should exhibit, that men may see our good works and glorify our Father who is in heaven.

Though God prohibited man from making idols and adoring them, yet he commanded Moses to make images of cherubim, which he was to place for the ornament of the Holy of Holies—and Solomon in his temple had many similar decorations, and from the earliest days of Christianity statues and pictures have been amongst the chief ornaments of Churches, and tended much to excite the devotion of the faithful. There are cards containing some of the prayers which are said during the Mass, placed, for the convenience of the celebrant upon the altar.

The place about the altar is sometimes called the chancel, because it was separated from the body of the Church by Cancellæ or rails. It is at other times called the sanctuary, from being that part of the Church, where the holy offices are performed. The

body of the Church is called the Nave, from its similarity to a ship *Navis*, in which the faithful are as it were embarked under the government of their

Clergy.

The use of incense in the Church is so ancient. that we cannot find any time of its introduction. has been alleged that we took it from the Pagans. The allegation is incorrect; it has been taken from the Jews, whom God commanded to offer it. Pagans also took it from them, but we do not find the Jews commanded to abandon its use because it was abused by the idolaters. It has been also said that lights and incense were used by the first Christians, in consequence of their being under the necessity of assembling in caves, which were dark and This is not altogether true; there were other causes which have been stated, and if the first Christians could innocently retain what were also used by cotemporary Pagans, why may not their successors as innocently retain what they used without crime.

We next must consider the vestments, or dress of the Priest, during the celebration of the Mass. Over his cassock or gown he first puts on the amict, then the alb, which he girds round him with a cincture, then the maniple on his left arm, the stole on his neck, crossed on his breast, and the chasuble or outer vestment. Some peculiar dress is usually worn by all public functionaries in the discharge of their duties, and whether we look round and contemplate the present race of human beings, or examine the records of history, we shall find this principle a most universal, from the uncultivated Indian, to the most polished nation. In the various circumstances of life to .. upon occasions of joy, or of mourning, the dress exhibits the feeling. God himself vouchsafed to direct the manner in which the vestments of the Jewish Priesthood should be made, and thus established and sanctified the principle.

The vesture of the Priest is with some variations. the ancient Roman dress of state; which consisted of what was called the Toga and Trabaa. The moderns in common life have altogether departed from the ancient costume, whilst the Church, anxious to preserve as far as possible every thing in its original state, has made very little alteration. and the maniple are her only additions. They have been added for convenience and retained for piety Previous to the use of neckcloths, which are of comparatively modern introduction, the neck was altogether uncovered; this was extremely inconvenient to the Clergyman, who had in many instances to sing and preach in the Church, and the injurious effects which resulted from having no covering for the neck in those cases, caused the introduction of the amict. which is a piece of cloth, generally linen, that was worn round the neck, and sometimes, besides covering the neck, formed a sort of hood for the protection of the head, except in those cases where the nature of the office demanded the respect of being uncovered: and being placed on the head, and tied round the shoulders, the wearer could protect his head, or neck, or both, as he found convenient. This is therefore the literal or natural explanation of the amict. The neck-cloth having been introduced by the Croats, and generally adopted by the other inhabitants of Europe, the great object of the introduction of the amict was otherwise obtained by the change in dress; but the vesture was retained, for the emblematic and pions purposes. The emblematic object of the vestments was principally to remind us of the passion of Christ, to commemorate which the great sacrifice of the mass was instituted. Christians were upon this principle old, that upon seeing this vestment placed on the head, they should recollect how their Redeemer was blindfolded and spit upon for their transgressions.

The object of piety for which it was retained, is to excite in the clergyman and his congregation that sen-

timent expressed by the prayer which is repeated by him at the time he clothes himself therewith.

Place, O Lord, on my head, an helmet of salvation,

to repel the assaults of the devil.

At present this vestment is altogether covered by

that which is next put on; that is, the alb.

The alb is the ancient Roman dress called the toga. such as it was worn under the emperors about the second century of christianity. It has been stated that it was the dress of the pagan priests. No doubt it was: and it was also the dress of the pagan gentlemen, and pagan magistrates, for it was the usual dress of all genteel persons-and previously to the introduction of christianity, they were for the greater part, if not all, pagans. On festive days especially, their toga was white. This was the colour of the dress of almost every public officer, and it would be placing christians in a very awkward predicament, if they were obliged to cast away every dress the like of which had been worn by pagans or infidels, even in their religious ceremonies. The writer of this essay would, if this principle were admitted, oblige every christian, or at least every christian clergyman to put away the usual dress of our days, for he can prove that it has been worn within a very short period by one of the principal performers in the most solemn pagan rites, in use at present.

This indeed, is what may be properly called superstition, to say that because a dress has been used by persons doing what was wrong, a similar dress never may be worn by a person doing what is right. The Catholic church teaches that there is nothing of its own nature bad in dress, unless it should become

indecent.

Emblematically this vestment reminds us of the white garment in which Herod clad the Saviour, when mocking him as a fool, he sent him back to Pilate. This vestment is called alb, from its colour, alba white.



It excites to piety, by teaching us the purity of heart and body which we should possess in being present at the holy mysteries; and this is well expressed in the prayer which is said by the clergyman when putting on this garment.

Make me white, O Lord, and cleanse my heart; that being rendered white by the blood of the Lamb, I may

partake of eternal joys.

The Roman gentleman suffered his robe to flow loosely when he was unoccupied, but when he had any duty to perform, he was accinctus or girded, for which purpose he had a cincture to gird his toga, and as the clergyman is about to perform a duty, he girds himself with a cincture, which reminds us that Christ was bound for our crimes—and is also calculated to impress upon our souls the necessity of girding, (Luke xii. v 35,) our loins with the virtue of purity, that we may hold in our hands the burning lamps of charity and faith, to receive our Lord when he shall return from the nuptials. The prayer is expressive.

Gird me, O Lord, with the cincture of purity, and destroy in my loins every seed of lust; so that the virtue of continence and chastity may remain in me.

The Clergyman next puts the Maniple upon his left arm; this was formerly an handkerchief, or cloth used for the same purpose as we now use handkerchiefs, and had its name from its being an handful, or being carried on the hand, manus, or from the word mappula, an handkerchief. But having in process of time become too much enriched with ornament to be used for this purpose, it has been preserved for its emblematic and pious significations.

It is a sort of oppressive weight upon the arm, which reminds us of the weight of our sins having been laid upon the Saviour, thus causing him to suffer in tears and affliction that he may bring us to glory and joy. In allusion to that verse of the Psalmist, "Going and weeping they sowed in tears, but returning they shall come in joy, bearing their maniples

in gladness." The prayer at putting on this vestment is.

May I deserve, O Lord, to bear the maniple of weeping and grief, that I may with exultation receive the reward of labour.

The Priest then puts the stole on his neck, bringing it over his shoulders, and crossing it on his breast,

he makes it fast with the cincture.

This vestment was appropriate to public speakers, and originally used for a similar purpose as that to which the maniple was subsequently applied; it was not crossed on the breast, but hung loosely down from the shoulders to the front of the person, and was generally of linen: hence the stole is at present worn in that way by preachers. It became so much ornamented as to be unfit for its original destination, and has been retained as an emblematic vestment. name, Stole, is generally supposed to have been derived from its resemblance, when hanging loosely from the shoulders, to the front of the Persian robe called a Stole, which being a sort of pellice having sleeves, and being rounded over the shoulders, and meeting pretty tightly to the front of the person, exhibited, when open, an appearance very similar to that of a flowing or loose stole, worn by a preacher, which is the mode in which it was worn by the ancient orators. In some ancient writers it is called orarium. It is also at present used as the distinctive mark of authority in the church when a number of elergymen are assembled together, as except on a few extraordinary occasions, no person wears the stole, cut the presiding or principal clergyman, and the person who preaches or officiates.

It is a sort of yoke laid on the shoulders, and therefore well calculated to bring to our recollection the. obedience and humility of the Son of God who, clothing himself in the stole of our flesh, took upon him the yoke of our punishment, that we may be clad in the glory of his immortality.



When the Priest crosses it before his breast, it is that he may be reminded of the necessity of having before his heart the protection of the Saviour's cross. At putting it on he prays—Restore unto me O Lord, the stole of immortality, which I have lost in the prevarication of my first parent; and although I approach unworthily to thy sacred mystery, may I deserve ever-

lasting joy. The Chasuble, or outer vestment, is the Roman Trabæa, or robe of state, in which some slight changes have been made. Those changes are, cutting open the sides, and altering the mode of embroidery. The Trabæa was generally a large silken garment, which had a hole in the centre, through which the head passed, the garment then rested on the shoulders of the wearer, and hung down on all sides, nearly to the ground, and the edge or border. as well at the extremity of the robe, as round the hole, was trimmed and enriched, and the robe decorated throughout, either by painting or embroidery. When the wearer wanted to use his hands, the ides of the robe were lifted on his shoulders in plaits, and the appearance then was exactly that which is now made by a Priest in his Chasuble. As this continuation of the robe all round was found to be greatly inconvenient, particularly as the clergyman was frequently without other ecclesiastical assistants, when he officiated, this robe was cut at the sides, so as to enable him to use his hands more conveniently, and by degrees it assumed its present form. In the embroidery a cross was marked upon the back of the Chasuble, and two stripes representing a pillar on the front, to designate that the Priest and the people should carry their cross after Christ, and lean for support upon the Church, which St. Paul calls the pillar of

This chasuble, exhibiting the Cross upon the Priest's back, shows how after the purple garment was thrown upon his shoulders; the Redeemer had

the Cross also laid upon him, bearing which he went to Calvary to offer the Sacrifice of our Redemption.

The prayer said by the Priest when he vests himself therewith, is, Lord, who hast said my yoke is sweet, and my burthen light: grant that I may be able so to bear it, as to obtain thy grace.

The Priest thus vested, now is the representative of Christ, going to offer that sacrifice which he instituted on the night before he suffered, in order to show forth by this commemorative observance his death

until his second coming.

The next circumstance to be observed, is the difference of colour of the vestments on different days. The object of the Church is, thus to inform the faithful at once of the sort of office which is performed. Hence, where the means of the congregation will allow of the regulation being carried into effect, she commands that the vestments and hangings of the Temple shall be of different colours on different oceasions. The colours prescribed are White, Red, Violet, Green, and Black. White is used on the great festivals of our Redeemer, and on the days when we recall to our minds the virtues, and entreat the pravers of the blessed Virgin Mary, of the good Angels, and of those Saints who served God with fidelity in the practice of virtue, but did not shed their blood by martyrdom. Red is worn on the festivals in honour of the Holy Ghost, who in the form of fiery tongues descended on the apostles; and on the festivals of those saints who were martyred, as exhibiting their Violet, in times of penance and humiliation; principally, therefore, in Lent and Advent. Green, on those days when there is no particular festival or observance; and Black, in Masses for the dead, and on Good Friday, when we commemorate the death of the Redeemer.

There are several orders of Clergymen in the Church; Bishops, Priests, Deacons, Subdeacons, and persons in minor orders—which last orders are of

Ecclesiastical institution. The dresses distinguish those several persons. We have noticed the vestments of the Priest when he celebrates Mass. A Bishop also offers this holy sacrifice: the other Clergymen have not authority to make this great oblation; but they attend thereat as subordinate Ministers. The under dress of the Priest is a black cassock or gown, which he wears to denote his separation from the world and its vanities. That of a Bishop is purple, to signify the superiority of his order, and his authority to rule in the Church of God, (Acts xx.v. 28) over which he wears a short white robe called a Rochet, to denote the purity with which he should be surrounded, and a cross which hangs before his breast. The Roman nobility formerly wore a small golden ball, which was called Bulla, as designating their rank; whence this custom is supposed to have originated: but the Christian Bishop has his in the shape of a Cross, to teach him to glory in nothing but the Cross of his Redeemer. He also sometimes wears a short purple cloak with a hood, which is called a Mozette or Cappa, and his mitre, which is of eastern origin, differs considerably in its shape from that of Aaron, and Jewish Priests. The two pieces which hang from it behind, are the lappets or ribbands, which formerly were used to bind it under his chin, but which are now seldom, if ever, used for that purpose. He also carries a crosier, which has at its top a shepherd's crook, to denote that he is one of those Pastors charged by the Saviour with the care of his flock-and on some very solemn occasions, such as an ordination, he wears the dresses of the inferior orders with his own, to show that he contains them in himself, and is the source from which their authority is derived. An Archbishop's cross has two transverse pieces, and the Pope's has three, to denote their gradations of rank or power. And he who wears a cross upon his breast, does not bring the stole across when he prepares to celebrate the Mass.

The Deacon wears his stole on the left shoulder, to signify the subordination of his order, and binds it at his right side, to prevent its flowing too loosely. In place of the chasuble he wears a Dalmatic, which is rather shorter than a chasuble, and was always open at the sides, but had short sleeves which are now cut open, and has no cross on the back, for he only assists at the sacrifice, but does not offer it. This was the dress of the people of Dalmatia, whence its name.

The Subdeacon wears no stole, as he has no anthority to preach the gospel in public, and his outer vestment is rather narrower than that of the Deacon; it is called a Tunick, and was the dress of persons in the

middle class of society in Rome.

The Clergymen in minor orders wear the black Cassock, over which they wear a surplice or white robe, to signify purity and innocence. This also is the usual dress of Priests. Deacons. and Subdeacons.

except on the more solemn occasions.

Having thus been made acquainted with the various dresses of the different Clergymen who may officiate at Mass, we come to ask the meaning of the word Mass. The Latin from which it is derived, if it be not taken immediately from the Hebrew or Syro-Chaldaic, is missa, which word is generally supposed to be a perverted mode of pronouncing the word MISSAH, which is a Hebrew expression for a sacrificial offering; and is found in the 16th chapter of the oook of Deuteronomy-missah nedaba, which means a voluntary offering, to be made on the festival of Pentecost, and this word Missah is derived from the radical word Mus, which means the tribute paid by an inferior to his sovereign. Others, and they by no means writers of inferior account, derive the Latin word from Missio, or the sending away of the people after the offering, or the sending of the sacrifice to God; but the impression of the compiler of this essay is decidedly favourable to the opinion of those who derive the word from the Hebrew. From whatever source it may be derived, it is one of the most ancient words in Christianity, being found in the earliest writers.

The next inquiry is concerning the language in which it is celebrated. In the Western Church, it now is, and always has been Latin. To many persons who have not been accustomed to reflect upon the doctrines of the Catholic Church, this appears strange, but their great difficulty arises from an almost inevitable error to which they are exposed. They know nothing of religion but praying, preaching, and reading; and because they have known nothing eise in religion, they imagine that religion has nothing else. This is a most erroneous impression. Religion has a Sacrifice and Sacraments, which are not any of those acts, though much prayer and some instruction are found to accompany them. They are acts; thus Baptism, which is more efficacious than either prayer or preaching or reading, is neither one nor two nor all of those-but it is an act instituted by Christ. upon the performance of which, he has bound himself to produce a certain effect; it is true, there are words accompanying the act, but as they are for the Lord who understands all languages, it is no matter in what language they are spoken. So the Mass is not a common prayer, but an act of sacrifice in which by the ministry of the Priest, God does acts beneficial to the people. The benefit to the people is derived not merely from the words said, but from the acts done. The acts are the producing the victim upon the altar, and offering him to God for our sins after he has been produced; and the producing the holy Sacrament of the Eucharist; that the faithful may receive the body and blood of the Saviour in his Sacrament. Now as the object of the Mass is the performance of those acts, the questions for consideration are, first-Is any particular language essential to their performance: and next, are there any sufficient reasons why a dead language should be continued in use rather than a

living language be adopted? With regard to the first, it may be unhesitatingly answered—No particular language is essential to the validity of the acts. Secondly—There are many sufficient reasons for continuing the use of the Latin language in our Liturgy, in preference to adopting the modern languages.

In the first place, the doctrine of the Church being essentially unchangeable, a dead language, which is subject to no change, as to the meaning of its expressions. is far better calculated to preserve it unchangeably, than modern languages which are perpetually The same idea which was conveyed by those words one thousand years ago, is now conveyed by them; and if the world should so long continue, will be conveyed by them, after the lapse of one thousand years more: whereas, if the English words which, one thousand years ago, were used to convey the same idea, were now written for us, they would be perfectly unintelligible. Thus an unchangeable language is used as the medium for conveying through fluctuating times, and changing people, an unalterable doctrine.

Next; this doctrine is not merely that of an isolated people, who speak the same language, but that of many nations who speak different tongues, though they have the same faith: they preserve amongst them, of necessity, a perpetual communion, for the preservation of which a common language is necessary; and they use that which has been originally established, and universally received amongst them from the beginning. Their mode of communion is my their sacraments, sacrifices, and public offices; cence they are all celebrated in that common language.

Again—Their Clergy and Laity are frequently under the necessity of travelling from one country to another, and this common language enables them to offer up and attend at the Holy Sacrifice, in whatever place they may be, with the same benefit as if they

were in the land of their nativity; and though they should not be acquainted with an individual in the place, nor understand one word of the language of the country, the Clergyman or the Layman finds himself amongst brethren to whom he may administer, or from whom he may receive sacraments, and with whom he can join in the adoration of his God; and whose belief is identically the same as his own, on every point of faith.

By preserving this common language also, the Clergy of those various lands, however remote or dissimilar in habits and tongues, can communicate with each other. Their Bishops hold intercourse between themselves and that See which is their common centre; and thus be certain of the continuance and existence of the true faith, and hold the communion of

saints.

These and many other advantages, are the results of the Liturgy being in the Latin tongue; and the publication of such a work as the present, and which is to be found in every Catholic country, together with the frequent explanations of the Pastors, to which they are obliged by the Council of Trent, are sufficient to remedy the only inconvenience which would be apprehended—by making those who do not understand the Latin language acquainted with the meaning of what is said in that tongue.

Some of the service is read in a loud voice, and more of it in a low inaudible manner, which is a custom older than even Christianity, tending to impress upon the mind, that some things are clearly known and distinctly understood, and that other things are now hidden from us for the trial of our obedience and faith. The Jewish people did not hear the prayers which their Priest used when he offered incense, and on various other occasions, they prayed abroad in the court, whilst he offered in the Sanctuary, at the altar. Again—Let it be remembered, that the Mass is not a naked form of prayer, by using which we merely en

treat God's mercy; it is a sacrifice in which the flesh and blood of Christ are produced, and offered up on our behalf, and according to the devotion with which we attend, we may expect the favour of the Most High. All this may be done in a low voice, as well as in an audible tone.

It is customary before Mass to sprinkle the congregation with Holy Water, or on entering the Church each individual may sprinkle himself from a vessel which contains this water. This ceremony is to remind us of the necessity of entering with purity of heart, having washed away the iniquities and distractions of the world. In the court, before the entrance of many of the ancient churches, there was a fountain, in which the persons about to attend washed their hands or feet, to denote the purity of heart they should possess. It is an emblematic ceremony. calculated to excite our devotion, and fix our attention. The water is blessed, as according to the Apostle St. Paul-every creature may be sanctified by the Word of God and by prayer—(1 Tim. iv. 5.) The manner of blessing it is by first blessing salt, which in imitation of the prophet Eliseus, when he healed the waters of Jericho, is cast into the water in the figure of a Cross, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. The proper prayer having been said over the water, and then the Priest entreats the mercy and protection of God upon those who shall sprinkle themselves of their houses therewith, that they may be guarded against the incursions of the evil spirits, and enabled to serve God. If the Clergyman sprinkles it he repeats the Antiphon from the 50th Psalm-" Thou, O Lord, shalt sprinkle me, and I shall be cleansed; thou shalt wash me, and I shall be made whiter than snow." Then the entire or a few verses of the same psalm: Have mercy on me, O Lord, &c. After which he repeats the Doxology, i. e. Glory be to the Father, &c., and then the Antiphon again.

This, in allusion to the sprinkling of the waters of

lustration amongst the Jews, as related in the 19th chapter of the book of Numbers, by which their uncleanness was removed.

The preparations for the Sacrifice having been made, we now come to the examination of the service: for the purpose of knowing accurately the ceremonies of which we must look a little to the ancient mode of constructing Christian Churches. Sanctuary was an inclosure at the eastern end of the Church, which was an oblong building; and this Sanctuary or Chancel was elevated above the rest of the Church, so that all the faithful might be able to see the Clergyman who officiated therein. The Altar was elevated on a platform within this Chancel, so that the principal Clergyman who officiated thereat might be more distinctly observed. On the south side of this Chancel was the door of entrance from the Sacristy or private room of the Clergyman. On the north side was the Bishop's seat, raised higher than the rest, and generally covered with a canopy. In front of the chancel was an enclosed and elevated place, called the Ambo, from which sometimes the Epistle and Gospel were announced, and the sermon or instruction given, and in which the minor clergy and singers sat. At other times the Pulpit for the Preacher was more elevated, and at the side of the church opposite the Bishop's seat. At the western end of the large space, called the Nave, were folding doors or a curtain, which separated from the nave a smaller division, called the Nartha, or Porch, and to the front of which was an inclosure or court, surrounded by cloisters, under a piazza or colonade.

The church was attended by three descriptions of persons: those who were admitted to its communion: penitent faithful under a temporary exclusion, and hearers, who came for instruction, but were not yet baptized. The court and cloisters were occupied by the penitents; the Vestibule or porch, by the hearers, and the first class occupied the nave.

The Mass was also a service of two parts; that crithe Catechumens, and the mysteries of the laithful with the intervening instructior. The first part ended with the Gospel. The second part egan after the Creed. The Penitents, hearers and Catechumens, or persons under instruction for Baptism, attended at the first part, heard the sermon, and then were excluded: and the faithful only were allowed to remain for the mysteries, with the nature of which they only were made acquainted.

After the assembly had met, and the aspersion had taken place, the choristers sung an antiphon taken from one of the Psalms, and appropriate to the festival which was celebrated. This antiphon is generally that verse of the Psalm which is most expressive of the mystery or fact commemorated on that day. Sometimes the antiphon is taken from one of the other sacred books, and the psalm was always sung, with the doxology, and the antiphon as is always done, repeated. This was done as the bishop or principal clergyman entered the door from the vestry to the chancel; hence it was called ad incroitum, or at the entrance, and is now known by the name of "The introit." If the psalm was very long, only a few verses were sung, and hence at present the custom is to sing only the antiphon, the first verse, or two verses of the psalm, then the doxology, "Glory be to the Father," &c., and then repeat the antiphon.

For instance, the first mass on Christmas day commences with the following antiphon from the 2d Psalm. "The Lord hath said to me; thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee." The first verse is then read, and after the doxology the antiphon repeated. But it would be a good practice in the course of the day to read the entire psalm, and reflect upon the manner in which the prophecy therein contained has been fulfilled. This is the object of the church in its selection, and were the faithful to practice this

plous custom as she wishes, they whould be greatly improved in the knowledge of religion, for thus in the course of the year does the church bring in review before them, the great mysteries of redemption in their succession, and the great examples of her saints for their instruction in virtue.

During the repetition or chaunting of the introit, the clergyman who presided, came to the foot of the altar, and commenced, as usual with the first christians, on almost every occasion, by signing himself with the figure of the cross, and invoking the blessing of the Holy Trinity-and then repeating the 62d psalm, judica, with its antiphon before and after, to express his fervent desire of approaching the altar of Then entreating the assistance of the Lord. ne howed down in a posture of humility, confessing to God, to the angels and saints of heaven, and to his fellow-ereatures on earth, that he was an unworthy sinner, and entreating the prayers of those heavenly spirits, and of his fellow-mortals to God, on his be-The other clergy and people then prayed that God may be merciful to him, and then made their acknowledgement to him, begging his prayers on their behalf. After praying for them he expressed his confidence in God, and went up to the altar, the deacon and subdeacon lifting up his trabæa or chasuble at the sides, so as to leave his hands free at present though the chasuble be open, they retain the old custom, and hold it at each side. Having arrived at the altar he kissed it through respect, repeating in a low voice, the prayers which may be found in the Missal, and the meaning of which will be seen from what has been already stated. He then blessed the incense with the sign of the cross, and perfuned the back part of the altar, the flat, the sides and front thereof-so that by this perfume ascending in clouds of smoke to heaven, the faithful might be taught that if they attended with proper dispositions their prayers and sacrifices would ascend to God with an odour of sweetness.

oleasing in his sight; this was the lesson taught by God himself in the institution of incense in the old law; as expressed by the royal prophet, who certainly knew, as well by tradition as by inspiration, the object of the Most High. Hence to teach us the necessity of prayer morning and night, it was burned upon a golden altar in the old law morning and evening. Let the christian when he beholds it recollect his duty of sending up the odour of prayer discharged by the ardent fire of faith and charity, towards heaven, that it may be grateful to that God whom he adores. After incensing the altar, the bishop went to his seat, and read in a low voice what the choir had sung. it was a priest officiated, he read it from the book which was placed upon the altar at the side next the vestry room, which of course was on his right hand side, when he stood with his face to the altar. very ancient work on the church liturgy, called the Micrologue, and the liturgy attributed to St. James the apostle, as indeed every ancient document on the subject, all mention this confession previous to the introit; and the work on the ecclesiastical hierarchy attributed to Denis, the Areopagite, the antiquity of which is universally admitted, and the liturgy of St. Basil mention the repetition of one or more psalms at the commencement of Mass. But the regulation of the introit, in its present form, is ascribed to Pope Celestine I, in 424. The doxology is of the very highest antiquity, and generally attributed to the apostles.* We learn from Theodoret and Sozoment that the Arians changed it to suit their tenets in the following way. Glory be to the Father, through the Son in the Holy Ghost, &c. Whilst the Catholics continued as usual-Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; &c. The ceremony of the sign of the cross with which the celebrant mark-A himself, by putting his right hand to his forehead,

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^{*} Baronius. † Lib. 2. hist. cap. 42. ‡ Lib. 3, cap. 19.

then below his breast, then to his left and right shounders at the commencement of the Mass, and at the beginning of the introit, is the usual manner in which from the very origin of christianity, the true believers brought to their recollection the fact of Christ's having died upon a cross, and from which death they expected every blessing. Tertullian, in the year 250, mentions it as their usual practice upon every occasion.

The celebrant then leaving the book comes to the middle of the altar, and if he be accompanied by the deacon and sub-deacon they stand behind him, the deacon higher than the sub-deacon, from the superiority of his order; and between them they alternately repeat thrice Kyrie Eleison, or the Lord have mercy on us, in Greek, in honour of the eternal Father: thrice Christe Eleison, or Christ have mercy on us, in honour of the eternal Son; and thrice Kyrie Eleison, in honour of the Holy Ghost. This ancient custom has subsisted at all times in the church. It is mentioned in the liturgies of St. James, of St. Mark, of St. Bazil, and of St Chrysostom. St. Gregory the Great mentions it as having been always in use; and St. Augustine states it to be an ancient and universal christian custom* amongst Greeks, Latins, and bar-The same saint remarks the admirable disposition of Providence in causing Pilate to proclaim Jesus of Nazareth as king of the Jews to the whole. world, in the three great prevailing languages of the universe; for as St. John remarks, the title was placed over his head in Hebrew, in Greek, and in Latin, so in those three languages in the Mass, is the whole world as it were united in proclaiming his praise, and exhibiting his power, and entreating his mercy. The Greek is here found, and the hosanna and alleluia. are preserved as well as sabaoth and other phrases of

^{*} Epist. 178 Altere cum Pascent.

the Hebrew, uniting all nations in one, by faith, and prayer, and sacrifice.

The angelic hymn, or Gloria in excelsis, is the next part of the Mass, except when on occasions of grief, penance, supplication for the dead, and other such it is omitted, as being a hymn of joy. It is called the angelic hymn, as its first words are those sung by the angels on the night when Christ was born-"Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace to men of good will," the remainder has been added in the earliest days of the church, some persons say by Pope St. Telesphorus, others by St. Hilary, bishop of Poictiers, others by Pope Symmachus. Whoever added the latter part was evidently filled with an ardent spirit of the most sublime piety. The first expressions are found in the liturgy of St. James: St. Clement of Rome, in his early works, gives a considerable portion of it, which he calls "Morning Prayer:" and Pope Damasus informs us that it was his predecessor Telesphorus, who in the year 142 ordered it to be sung or said at Mass. The choir does not commence this hymn as it does the introit and Kyrie Eleison. but the celebrant sings the first words, and is then joined by the choir. The mystic reason for which is found in the second chapter of the gospel of St. Luke, where he relates that an angel announced in joyful accents the birth of Christ to the shepherds, and then was joined by a multitude of the heavenly host, singing Glory, &c. Thus the celebrant, who, from the nature of his office, is the herald of glad tidings, commences the hymn and is then joined by the choir of faithful servants. When this hymn is sung, the celebrant and his attendants having said it privately, sit down during the performance by the choir.

The celebrant then kisses the altar, and turning towards the people extends his hands, saying, *Dominus* Vobiscum, "May the Lord be with you," and is answered, Et cum spiritu two, "And with thy spirit." A bishop says on this occasion, Pax vobis, "Pance be with you"—and he then goes to the book.

This mode of salutation is most ancient, and may be found in the book of Judges, chap. 6, and in several other parts of the old and new Testament. Nor can there be a more pious mode of expression devised for the occasion. The Spirit of the Lord is as it were drawn or inhaled from Christ, who, as was originally remarked, is represented by the altar, the extension of the hands signifies the union of charity which subsists between the pastor and his flock, and his anxiety to embrace them with religious affection; he desires the Spirit of the Lord to rest with them after its having been derived from Christ, and poured out upon them; and they in grateful return pray that he too may be filled with the same. The bishop, as the successor of those apostles to whom the Saviour gave the injunction related in the 10th chapter of St. Matthew's Gospel, wishes them that peace which the world cannot give. This salutation is for the purpose of exciting the attention of the people to the pravers or collects which immediately follow, and to read which the celebrant goes to where the book has remained.

The most ancient Liturgies, those of St. Peter, St. James, St. Mark, St. Basil, St. Ambrose, St. Chrysostom, and in fact every one extant, all exhibit this ceremony.

It is piously remarked, that it is repeated seven times during the office of the Mass, as it were once against each of the capital sins, and to obtain one of the gifts of the Holy Ghost. One on each occasion.—

The celebrant having gone to the book again, excites the attention of those present by his invitation to pray, Oremus, "let us pray."—And then, having his hands raised and extended, as Moses held his hands in prayer upon the mountain when Israel overcame Amalec, he reads the Collects.

These prayers are called collects for many reasons;

first. They are offered up in the name and on behalf of the faithful collected together; next, they collect as it were the wishes and wants of the faithful into a few ideas, which are expressed in few words. Various other reasons are added by several writers, but those two, taken from some of the most ancient documents, appear to be the best founded. The collect varies in the Masses of each Sunday, and festival, and also on some few special occasions, as during the Lent, the days of Quarter-tense, &c.: on some occasions three, five, and even seven collects, are said. They are amongst the most ancient prayers in use in the Church; some of them are attributed to the Apostles. and found in the Liturgies which bear their names: others of them have been written by St. Ambrose; some by Pope Gelasius I., and some by Pope St. Gregory, who inserted those approved of into his work called The Sacramental .- The Council of Milevi, held at the commencement of the fifth century, forbad the public reading in Churches of prayers written by individuals, unless they were persons properly qualified, or that the prayers had been approved of by a Synod. At the end of the collect the people answer Amen, to signify their assent and desire.

On occasions of penance and humiliation, the celebrant, before he reads the prayer, says, Flectamus genua, "Let us bend our knees," and then kneels, in which act of humiliation he is joined by the people. The use of this expression was more generally left to the Deacon, who stood behind the celebrant, and the subdeacon, who stood behind the Deacon, then called upon them to rise to the prayer, by the word Levale.

After the collect follows the Epistle; so called, because it is a portion of the holy Scriptures, generally selected from the Epistles of St. Paul, or one of the other canonical Epistles of the New Testament; but on many occasions, it is selected from one of the

Prophets, or from some other part of the Old Testament. Justin Martyr mentions this custom, in his second Apology, Turtullian, in chap. 39 of his Apologetic, and Denis the Areopagite, in the 3d chap, of the Eccles. Hierar. The custom was generally supposed to be derived from the Jews, who on every Sabbath read the law and the prophets in their synagogues, (Luke iv. 16. Acts xiii. 15, 27.) and which custom they still retain. The Epistle is, as Pope Innocent IIL states, taken sometimes from the old law, and sometimes from the new law, because it as it were brings them to meet, the prophecies of the Introit being found fulfilled in the Gospel, which follows soon after the Epistle, and frequently the Epistle contains the prophecy, the fulfilment of which is found in the Gospel, as may be seen in the Mass for the feast of the Epiphany: hence, he says, the person who reads or sings the Epistle, may be said to represent St. John the Baptist, the precursor who closed the line of the prophets, and pointed out distinctly that Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. St. Bonaventure says, that the Epistle very properly follows the collect, for it is after having put up our prayer to the throne of mercy, when we may find grace in seasonable aid, we should receive that instruction which the holy Scriptures contain. The Church desires that we may prepare our hearts by prayer to receive the seed of the word of God. which being sown in good soil, thus prepared, will bring forth fruit an hundred fold. But she has too often to regret, that it is lost on the way side, or, falling upon the stony ground, or amongst thorns. becomes altogether unproductive. (Luke viii. 11.)

At a solemn Mass, the Epistle is chaunted by the sub-deacon, standing with his face towards the altar, on the lower platform or floor of the Sanctuary, at the south side, or that on his right hand, which is thence called the Epistle side of the Chancel, of the Sanctuary, and of the altar. After he concludes, he makes

his reverence to the altar, which represents Christ, by going to the centre of the Chancel and bending his knee; then he goes to the celebrant who has continued at the book, reading in a low voice, and kneeling obtains his blessing; he then delivers the book which he has used to the deacon, who remained standing near the celebrant, and removes the book which the celebrant has used to the other side of the altar, whilst the deacon lays the book which he has received upon he altar.

The tone of this Epistle-chaunt is very ancient, it was in this tone the Greeks chaunted their solemn recitations on days of public meeting-having been received from them in many parts of the East, upon the establishment of their games and festivals in Asia, after the overthrow of Darius, and the Macedonian conquests, and having been introduced into the West when it become fashionable in Rome to import her customs from Greece, it was quite prevalent at the time of the establishment of Christianity: and thus was at the earliest period, introduced into the solemn service of the Church. The Jews had a sort of solemn chaunt in their religious offices, but it has no resemblance to this chaunt of the Epistle, nor to that of the Gospel, which those skilled in ancient music, unhesitatingly pronounce to be Grecian; and indeed most of our Ancient Church hymns are evidently derived from the same source-such for instance as the Hymn for the festival of St. John the Baptist, which is one of our oldest.

> Ut queant laxis reasonare fibris Mira gestorum famuli tuorum, Solve polluti labii reatum, Sancte Joannes.

This is evidently fine lyric Poetry, and was the toundation of the Gregorian notes, as may be perceived by comparing the sound of the notes, in the Gamut, Ut re mi fa, sol la as found in this verse and

si, as found in the word promissi in the third verse, with that of the syllables in the proper singing of this

hvmn.

The inferiority of his order, and his not being authorized to preach the gospel, are the reasons why he stands on the lower platform, and does not turn towards the people. Some authors add the mystic reason of showing that the prophecies were but indistinctly understood, as they were but obscurely given in the old law: the people indeed hear the voice as they did at Sinai, but do not see the face of him who speaks.

The seventy whom Christ sent to prepare the way for him, returned with joy to him after the discharge of their duty, (Luke x. 17.) So the sub-deacon, after having prepared the way for the Gospel, comes to the celebrant for his benediction, and having received this, he transfers the book to him who is to publish the

Gospel.

After the Epistle, the choir performs, and the celebrant reads a few verses, which are called, the Responsory, the Gradual, the Alleluia, the tract, the sequence or the prose, the verses are differently called according to their nature or the occasion on which

they are sung.

They are called responsory, either because they were the answer of the Choir to the Epistle, or because one person began, and was answered by the rest of the choir. The first verse was called the Gradual, because it was sung whilst the deacon was ascending the steps (gradus) to where the Gospel was formerly sung, which was generally the Ambo. The Gradual was sung in a slow solemn manner, as Pope Innocent III. informs us, in his work on the mystery of the Mass, book ii. c. 31—"The Gradual follows. which insinuates the lamentation of penance.***They do more correctly who do not express the gradual in festive modulated tones, but who rather, merely sing it in a grave and rough chaunt of lamentation.

The Alleluia, which signifies, "Praise the Lord," is sung or said after the Gradual, except on days of penance; as the same author says, c. 32, "After grief, consolation follows; therefore, the Alleluia is sung after the Gradual.* * * The canticles of joy after the lamentation of penance." And Remig of Altissodor, in the treatise on the celebration of Mass: "Alleluia signifies Praise the Lord, * * * as St. John says, And after this I heard as it were the voice of much people in heaven, saying Alleluia: (Apoc. xix. 6) and as we know that by this word the angels praise God in heaven, we believe the Lord is pleased with this sound of praise; hence we sing it, to show that on earth we adore the same God, whom the angels adore in heaven. It is frequently repeated in times of great joy; such as Easter, the Paschal time, &c., and the Tract is then omitted, as it is adapted for times of The Alleluia is particularly omitted from Septuagesima Sunday to Easter, which is a time of Penance; and as Pope Innocent III. says, represents the seventy years of the Jewish captivity, during which the children of Israel would not sing a canticle of joy. By the rivers of Babylon, there we sat, and we wept, when we remembered Sion. On the willows in the midst thereof, we hanged up our harps; because then they who led us away captives, asked us for the words of our songs, and they who took us away, sing for us a hymn of the Canticles of Sion. How shall we sing the Canticles of the Lord in a strange land? If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, may my right hand be forgotten. (Psalm exxxvi.) In times of penance, the sinner calls to mind that he is a stranger, banished from the mansion of his father. He longs to return to peace. and to forgiveness. He cannot sing the canticles of joy in a strange land; but his words flow slowly and solemnly along the lengthened tones of the Tract, which has its name from being drawn out (tractus) in a melancholy note. The last part is called the sequence, because it follows (sequitur) the entire. It

is also called the prose; and is a sort of hymn, used on the most solemn occasions of Easter, Pentecost,

and Corpus Christi.

The custom of singing between the Epistle and Gospel, is very ancient amongst the Greeks, as appears from the Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom; but in the Latin church it was not so generally received, as we find it prohibited in some places by the 4th council of Toledo, in the 11th canon; nor was the time for singing or omitting the Alleluia fixed with accuracy, until the 7th or 8th century. The 10th canon of the above mentioned council forbids it to be sung in lent, and it is thought the canon was made in consequence of some persons having introduced the forbidden custom. St. Augustine, in the 15th chap. of his 119th Epistle, says that it was sung only from Easter to Pentecost; and on Sundays, to celebrate the resurrection. Pope St. Gregory, having been blamed for having ordered it to be sung at Mass, except from Easter to Pentecost, stated that the law was only published by him; but that the custom was introduced under Pope Damasus, by St. Jerome.*

The celebrant, bowing down before the altar, repeats the prayer, "Cleanse my heart," &c.; which is sufficiently plain to shew its object, and to impress upon our minds the necessity of having pure hearts to receive the truth, and pure lips to announce it. The allusion to the cleansing of the prophet's lips, (Isaias vi. 7.) is beautiful: He then reads the gospel at the north side, or that at his left hand side, when he faces

the altar.

In a solemn Mass the deacon kneels on the lower step of the platform, and prays: "Cleanse," &c.; then goes to the celebrant for his blessing, which he asks on his knees, at the epistle side; the celebrant bestows it, in the following words: "May the Lord be in thy heart and on thy lips, that thou mayest an-

^{*} Lib. vii. Ep. lxiii. to John Bishop of Syracuse.

nounce his gospel in a worthy and competent manner. in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost." Then rising, the deacon descends, and after having made his reverence to the altar, he goes, preceded by the incense-bearer and two acolyths with lighted tapers, and the sub-deacon, to the gospel side; and having saluted the people, with his face turned towards the north, in the words, Dominus vobiscum, he proclaims the portion of the Gospel which he is to publish; and having marked his forehead, mouth and breast, with the sign of the cross, he perfumes the book with incense, sings the Gospel, points out to the sub-deacon the portion which he has sung, saying, Hac sunt verba Christi; "these are the words of Christ." The sub-deacon carries the book open to the celebrant, repeats the same words as he points that portion out, and the celebrant kisses the book, saying Credo and Confiteor; "I believe and confess." The deacon incenses the celebrant, and having bowed to him, they resume their places.

The deacon is an authorized minister of the Church, appointed to preach the Gospel by his ordination, previously to his doing which he seeks the grace of God by prayer; next, he seeks a mission, for as St Paul says, How shall they preach unless they be sent? (Ep. to Rom. x. 15.) He takes the book of the gospels, containing the heavenly doctrine from the altar. which represents Christ, asks authority to preach from the celebrant, as his superior, (Matt. ix. 38, and x. 7.) and the lord of the harvest, whose duty it is to send workmen into that harvest; and having received it in the name of the blessed Trinity, and through the institution of him who died upon a cross, the sign of which the celebrant makes over the deacon; he proceeds to proclaim the Gospel, or glad tidings of salvation, preceded by the perfume of the good works; for as Innocent III. says upon this, "A preacher ought to send forth the odour of good esteem, according to that of the apostle; we are the good

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odour of Christ to God, in every place." The lights signify how by the means of the doctrines of the Gospel, they were enlightened, who sat in darkness and in the shadow of death. The deacon passes to a & fferent side from that at which the prophecies and the Epistle were read, to show the change from the law of Moses, to the Gospel of Christ; and he faces the north, as well to proclaim the truth to the people, without turning his back to the altar, as to declare to him who cometh from the north, (Isaias xiv. 13 and 31,) that the Lord hath founded Sion, and the poor of his people to whom the glad tidings are preached, (Luke vii. 23,) shall trust in it. He and the people mark their foreheads, mouths and breasts, with the sign of our redemption, joining with the Apostle in his prayer; God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. (Galat. vi. 14.) It is exhibited on the forehead for profession; on the mouth for declaration, and on the heart for belief: As Pope Innocent III. says (Lib. 3, Myst. Missæ, c. 43:) "He should sign himself upon the forehead, he should sign himself upon the mouth, and he should sign himself upon the breast, as if to say, I am not ashamed of the cross of Christ, but I believe in my heart, what I preach with my mouth." He perfumes the book out of respect, and to teach us how the odour of virtue proceeds from the Gospel. When the sub-deacon gives the book to the celebrant and points out the portion which has been proclaimed, stating it to be the word of Christ, the celebrant kisses it, through respect, and makes the declaration mentioned above; for, as St. Paul says, With the heart we believe, unto justice : but with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. (2 Rem. x. 10.) The deacon then incenses the celebrant, through respect, as he does on two other occa-. ions during the Mass. During the deacon's singing the Gospel, if a Bishop be the celebrant, he stands uncovered through respect but rests upon his crosier. es well for support, as to exhibit the superior pastoral charge with which he is invested: the people all? stand during the reading or singing of the Gospel. This is a very old custom; we find it commanded in a decretal epistle of Pope Anastatius I. It is also mentioned in the 2d book of the constitutions of Clement, who says in the 57th chap. (alias 61) that it was so regulated by the apostles, through respect to the words of Christ. The ceremony of asking the blessing by the deacon, is very old, as are also that of announcing the Gospel by the words Sequentia, &c.; the answer, Gloria tibi Domine, "Glory be to thee, O Lord," being found in the Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, and quoted as ancient by Amalarius, lib. 18 de off. Missæ, and Alcuen, lib. De off. divin. All the old Liturgies, and councils, and fathers mention the Gospel.

After the Gospel the creed is properly introduced, as the profession of that faith which the Gospel has promulgated. That now recited is the creed of Constantinople-that originally used was the Apostles' creed; but after the decision of the Council of Nice. and the condemnation of Arius, it was made more explicit upon the subject of his errors. In the year 381 the Council of Constantinople was held, and to oppose new errors, the creed assumed its present form. It is begun by the celebrant and taken up by the choir, to shew that faith springs from Christ, and through him is established amongst the people. We find it in the liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, and mentioned by the 3d Council of Toledo. It is said or sung only on Sundays and great festivals. After the celebrant and his attendants repeat it, they sit until the choir has concluded.

This is the end of what is called the Mass of Catechumens. Formerly the deacon at this period ordered the catechumens and infidels, &c., to retire—the sermon had been preached after the Gospel; they had received instruction, but the faithful only, and in some instances only the communicants were suffered

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to attend at the mysteries. Upon the deacon's proclamation, the porters excluded those not admitted to full communion of the faithful, and closed the doors.

All hitherto was read openly; now the mysteries began, and the chief part was read in an under voice.

The first part of the Mass of the faithful is the offertory. This is a small portion of the scriptures applicable to the mystery or fact which is commemorated, and of course varies every day. This is called the offertory, because it was sung by the choir whilst the faithful made their offerings, for in the early ages of the church, every person made some offering at the altar when he or she attended the holy sacrifice. "Whilst the offertory is sung," says Innocent III., "the priest receives the oblations from the people, or the hosts from the attendants" This custom of singing and music at the offering was very ancient. find it in the days of the good king Ezechias.* And when the holocausts were offered, they began to sing praises to the Lord, and to blow with trumpets, and to perform with different instruments which king David had prepared. The same spirit which presided over the Jewish church in the days of its purity, presides over the Christian church, and will continue so to do. all days to the end of the world. †

* II. Paralip. xxix. 27, &c.

† The objection of some persons to the introduction of music, in the solemn service of the Creator is strange—Man should consecrate all his powers and acquirements to the greater glory of his Lord; and if this fine science and touching art is to be excluded, it is impossible to discover upon what principles the exclusion will rest, without being stal to every other mode of external worship. Music, it is said, is used in theatres, and is used for the excitement of levity and criminal dispositions; so has speaking, therefore we should not speak, there should be no preachers; so has reading, therefore we should not study the sucred volumes. But improper speaking and reading, are very different from preaching and reading the Scriptures. Undoubtedly they are, and sacred solemn music is very

The offerings were at first indiscriminately made of whatever the people thought proper to give, either for the sacrifice, or for the support of the clergy; but

different from profane and lascivious airs. But the same sort of instruments are used. And so the same sort of tongues, and the same sort of types, and the same sort of paper. Perhaps the identical cases of type which were used to print a bad novel, or an indecent jest-book, are used to print the Holy Bible-is the sacred book profaned thereby? Besides the frequent mention of instrumental and vocal music, for the service of God, in the dfferent parts of the old Testament, we have the distinct statements of St. John in the Apocalypse, or Revelations, xiv. 1. &c. And I beheld, and lo a lamb stood upon Mount Sion, and with him, an hundred and forty-four thousand having his name, and the name of his father written upon their foreheads. And I heard a voice from heaven, as the noise of many waters, and as the voice of great thunder: and the voice which I heard, was as the voice of harpers harping on their harps, and they sung as it were a new canticle before the throne, &c. xv. 2. And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire, and them that had overcome the beast, and his image and the number of his name, standing on the sea of glass, having the harps of God; and singing the canticle of Moses the servant of God, and the canticle of the Lamb, &c. Ep. of St. James v 13. Is any man cheerful in mind? Let him sing. We may therefore well conceive the sublime British poet fully justified in attributing to Angels, adoration by music.

How often from the steep
Of echoing hill or thicket have we heard
Celestial voices to the midnight air,
Sole, or responsive to each other's notes,
Singing their great Creator? Oft his bands
While they keep watch, or nightly rounding walk,
With heavenly touch of instrumental sounds
In full harmonic number join'd, their songs
Divide the night and lift our thoughts to Heaven.

Paradise Lost. Book 4.

The following extract from Mr. Ketts' essay on Music shall close this note.

"As the notes used to express any sensations may be equally in unison with those of a similar nature, Music re-

the Apostolic canons 4 and 5, regulate that only corn. grapes, oil for lights, and incense should be offered at the altar.; all other offerings were to be taken to the Bishop's house, to be divided by him and the priests, with the deacons and other minor clergy: and the first Council of Orleans held in 511, at the time of king Clovis, in its 14th canon regulates the proportion in which the division was to be made in The second Council of Mascom, held in the year 585, at the time of king Gortran, and of Pope Pelagius II., ordered offerings to be made in the Gallic churches by every individual who attended. The 4th Council of Carthage, held in the year 398, forbad the offerings of those who were at open enmity. of those who oppressed the poor, and of several others to be received-canons 93 and 94. The deacon and sub-deacon generally received the offerings; during which time the choir performed the offertory, but the custom of receiving these contributions has long since gradually ceased. Where there is no choir the celebrant reads it in a loud voice.

After the offertory, at a solemn Mass, or indeed

quires the aid of language, to characterize any individual passion. If correspondent words are the associates of sound, they become by this alliance specific indications of the manners and passions; and the pleasure conveyed to the ear, is attended by the more refined gratification of the understanding. Mysterious as the mode of operation by sound may be, it is clear that nature has connected certain emotions with them, and their effect is sufficiently ascertained, and deeply felt; for they are the keys which unlock all the passions of the soul. Sounds variously modified, and judiciously combined with words, can melt with pity, sink in sorrow, transport with joy, rouse to courage, and elevate with devotion. They have a peculiar effect in cherishing the tender passions, and calling up the long forgotten images of the past, with all their attendant train of associated ideas. While the ear is delighted with the strains of harmony, the fancy is buried in the contemplation of the most attracting images, and the whole soul is exalted to the bright regions of joy and happiness."

during its performance, the deacen and sub-deacon go up to the altar, both at the epistle side; should the chalice not be on the altar, but placed on the credence table, below, the sub-deacon carries it up. If a bishop celebrates in pontificals, he remains in his seat or throne during the Mass of the catechumens, and he now takes off his gloves and washes his hands to prepare for the sacrifice, and goes to the altar to offer it. Should he be attended by an assistant priest in a cope, that priest does what would otherwise be done by the deacon during this offering, and the canon, and the deacon performs whatever else may be necessary. This explanation shall be given on the supposition of no assistant priest being in attendance—and in plain Masses the celebrant does every thing himself.

The deacon being on the right hand of the celebrant, uncovers the chalice, which has on its mouth a linen cloth called a purificatory, for wiping the chalice and patten; the patten is a small plate on which the bread for consecration is placed, this is laid on the chalice. If the deacon have not spread the corporal upon the altar during the creed, he now takes it from the burse or case in which it is kept, and spreads it on the altar. The corporal is a linen cloth neatly folded, except when spread upon the altar during the sacrifice, and the bread which afterwards becomes the body (corpus) and the chalice are placed upon it. Taking the patten with the bread on it from the chalice, the deacon gives it to the celebrant, who lifting it up offers it, repeating the prayer. Accept &c., as in the ordinary of the Mass. After which, having made therewith the sign of the cross, he lays it on the altar. Meantime the deacon cleanses the chalice, and having put wine into it, the sub-deacon places the water before the celebrant, which he blesses with the sign of the cross, and the prayer, O God, with in creating, &c. The sub-deacon then puts a small quantity of water into the chalice, and the deacon having wiped it carefully, gives it to the celebrant, who being assisted by the deacon, also repeating the prayer, offers it, saving, We offer unto thee, &c.—then having made the sign of the cross therewith, he lays it on the altar, and the deacon covers it with a pall, which is a piece of linen, sometimes ornamented, but always made so stiff, by the sewing it on pasteboard or otherwise, as to rest steadily on the chalice and preserve its contents from any thin which might defile them: formerly the corporal was larger and a portion of it was turned over the chalice. but this was found very inconvenient. The celebrant then bowing down, says the prayer, Accept us, O Lord, &c .- after which, rising he says, Come, O Almighty, &c .- and at the word bless, he makes the sign of the cross over the host and chalice—then blesses the incense by the sign of the cross, and the prayer, May the Lord, &c .- and perfumes the bread and wine, and the altar, repeating the prayers which follow. After which he washes his hands, saying the prayer, I will wash, &c .- and then returns to the middle of the altar, where bowing down he repeats his request of sacrifice, saving, Receive, O Holy Trinity, &c.—then kissing the altar, he turns round, and expanding his hands, says, Orate Fratres, &c .- during this and the secret prayer, and the preface, until just before the Sanctus, the deacon and sub-deacon stand in their proper places behind the celebrant, but go up to the altar, the deacon on the right and the sub-deacon on the left, to join in the words Holy, Holy, Holy, &c .- after which the sub-deacon having made his reverence to the altar, descends to his former place, and the deacon comes to the left hand side, to assist in turning the leaves of the book, during the canon which immediately follows.

In some places, an ancient custom is retained by the sub-deacon of having a large veil placed on his shoulders when he is about to take the chalice from the credence to the altar; and then after the offertory, folding the patten in the end of this veil, and so holding it in his place, until the celebrant wants the patten after the Lord's Prayer.

Another ancient custom of some places is, that when the deacon has incensed the celebrant, after the offertory, he proceeds to incense the clergy, according to their rank, and is himself then incensed by the incense bearer, who afterwards, bowing to the several portions of the congregation, pays them the like respect.

Should the Bishop be present, in his place, and the celebrant be a priest, the water and incense are taken to the Bishop to be blessed, and he is incensed before

the celebrant by the deacon.

In the sacrifice we are now to look for three distinct oblations, all united in the same act of religion. The oblation of the bread and wine for the purpose of their substance being destroyed, and their appearances covering the body and blood of Jesus Christ. The oblation of the body and blood of Jesus Christ under the appearances of bread and wine, and the oblation of himself and of the faithful in union with Jesus Christ, by the celebrant. The three are performed by the one continued act of the sacrifice of the Mass; and it is only by keeping the distinction clearly in view, we shall be enabled fully to comprehend the meaning of the prayers.

The bread which is offered is unleavened; such was the kind which the Saviour used at the institution, for it took place at the time of the unleavened bread; (Mark xiv. 12,) and some water is mingled with wine in the chalice, because as the councils of Trent says, it has been received as an uninterrupted apostolical custom, and believed to be founded upon the authority of Christ himself, who is stated to have done so at the institution; and this assertion is supported by the entire host of ancient witnesses. *The

^{*} Can. xxxii.

council of Constantinople, called that of Trulla, from the hall in which it was held, in the year 692, quotes the following passage from the Liturgy of St. James the Apostle, and first Bishop of Jerusalem: "In like manner, taking the chalice after he had supped, and mixing water with wine, and blessing," &c. Clement, a cotemporary of the apostles, states in chap. 17, book 8, of the Apostolic Constitution, that our Lord mixed water with the wine-as does St. Iræneus, the Bishop of Lyons, in lib. 4, cap. 57. St. Cyprian, Bishop of Carthage, in the year 250, writes in lib. 2, Ep. 3, that the custom of mixing water with wine in the chalice, is a tradition from our Lord. The quantity of water is very small; and St. Cyprian also gives us the mystic reason for this, in Ep. 63, ad Carilium, "We see the people signified in the water. but the wine exhibits the blood of Christ. therefore, water is mixed with wine in the chalice, Christ is united to his people." &c.; from this the prayer is perfectly intelligible.

As in the bread many grains are brought into one substance, and in the chalice many grapes are brought into one substance, so in the church of Christ, many individuals are brought into the unity of faith, and connected together by the bonds of charity, and though thousands should assemble together, in the same edifice, or the great offering be made in millions of places throughout the christian world, still the offering is but one, the prayers are for all; our great father is intreated to look upon us as one fold, under one shepherd: (John x. 16.) They who are present at this oblation, should therefore be filled with the spirit of charity, and banish from them enmities, contentions, emulations, wraths, quarrels, dissentions, sects, envy, and such like; for they who do such things, shall not obtain

the kingdom of God. (Gal. v. 20.)

In the prayer at offering the host, which, as yet is but bread, the church has in view the chief sacrifice which is to be made under the appearance of bread,

and therefore seeks, even now, the effects of the redemption by Christ, who is to be the victim, ultimately produced, and principally offered, and through
whose merits only forgiveness of sins, and life everlasting, are attainable. But in the oblation of the
chalice, the expressions are more confined yet, though
the words are such as would be fully true, without
any further reference; it is clear that our salvation,
and that of the whole world, can be obtained only

through the blood of the Redeemer.

When the priest bows down, saying the next prayer, Accept us, &c.; in the name of the people, he offers them up as a sacrifice, praying that they may be received; he bows to denote the humility which should fill every heart; and he expresses it in his prayer; for, a troubled spirit is a sacrifice to God, and a contrite and humble heart, he will not despise. (Psalm 1. 17.) Such an oblation is always pleasing to the Lord: therefore they who assist at Mass, should endeayour to be truly bowed down in humility, and to avoid being puffed up, ambitious, liable to anger, thinking evil, or rejoicing in iniquity; for if they be criminal in those respects, (1 Cor. xiii. 4, &c.) though they should know all mysteries, and have all knowledge and faith, so as to remove mountains, and distribute all their goods to feed the poor, and deliver their bodies to be burned, it profiteth nothing. (1 Cor. xiii. 2 and 3.) The correction of the heart, is the great object of religion; and the sacrifice of ourselves, which the Lora requires, is the abandonment of those bad dispositions, which are so interwoven with our nature, that the Saviour found it necessary to inform us, that if iny man will come after him, he must deny himself, and take up his cross and follow (Matt. xvi. 24.) that Christ who offered himself as a sacrifice for mankind.

The next prayer is made to the Holy Ghost, in a special manner, for the third divine person of the blessed Trinity is generally designated as the Sancifier; for reasons with which every Christian must

be acquainted. He is specially invoked here, as his intervention is, in the order of Providence, requisite to produce the effect sought for; and when he is invoked to bless this sacrifice, the celebrant makes the sign of the cross over the oblation, to show his faith, in every good gift and divine being obtained through the merits of our divine Saviour, who was crucified for us. Short and simple as this prayer is, the mind is overwhelmed and lost in the contemplation of its consequences. First it exhibits to us the bread and wine to be consumed, as an holocaust.* For in sacrifices of holocaust, or whole burnt offerings, the victim was entirely consumed by fire, to the honour of the Deity: so here the substance of the bread and wine is destroyed, not by material, but mystic fire, by him who on the day of Pentecost descended in the form of tongues of fire upon the Apostles. This sacred fire consumes the substance but preserves the appearances, in order to be the veils which conceal from mortal eves the divine victim who, in the beginning, offered himself as the substitute for those ancient observances. For it was impossible that with the blood of oxen and goats, sins should be taken away. Wherefore, when he cometh into the world, he saith: Sacrifice and oblation thou wouldst not: but a body thou hast fitted to me: Holocausts and for sin did not please thee. Then, said I, behold, I come: In the head of the book it is written of ne, that I should do thy will. (Hebrews x. 4, &c.) By the sword of the word, and the fire of the spirit, this mystic oblation takes place; but the destruction of this first substance is not the great sacrifice of the Mass; for the bread and wine are destroyed only to make room for the great victim to be principally offered; and the production of which, whether for the original sacrifice on Calvary, or its repetition on

^{*} See Oppecules de Bossuet, T. i. p. 130. † See the secret prayer for Easter Friday, in Whitsunweek.

our altars, has always been attributed to this sacred

Spirit.

Thus in the Gospel of St. Luke, we read *The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee and the power of the most high shall overshadow thee. And therefore also the Holy One which shall be born of thee, shall be called the Son of God. (i. 35) And in the Apostles' creed. And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost. And in the Liturgy of St. Basil, which is that principally in use in the East a prayer is used that the bread may become the real body, and the wine the real blood of Jesus Christ, by the Holy Ghost who changes this bread and this wine. And St. Isidore of Pelusium a disciple of St. John Chrysostom, who also compiled a Liturgy in very general use in the East, says, That the Holy Ghost is truly God, and after other reasons adds, and because at the mystic table, it is he who makes common bread the real body in which the Son of God made himself incarnate; (Lib. 1. Ep. 10.9,) and he afterwards* says the same of the wine changed into the blood. The same is found in almost every ancient Liturgy, as testified by St. Cyril, Bishop of Jerusalem, who lived in the middle of the preceding century, and after having given his testimony in these few words, + " Thus that which the Holy Ghost touches is changed, and sanctified. In the ancient Gothic Missal which was used in many parts of Africa and other portions of the Western Church, the following prayer is found. # "O Lord may the Holy Ghost thy co-eternal co-operator descend upon this sacrifice, to the end that the fruits of the earth which we present unto thee may be changed into thy body, and what this chalice contains into thy blood."

Wherefore we may now clearly perceive the great object of this assembly of Christians from the days

^{*} Ep. 2. 13. † Cat. Myst. v. † Miss. Got. xii.



of the Apostles to the present, to be, for the praise of the Lord; for the instructions to be derived from the lessons of the old law, and of the new, as delivered by those persons whose commission therefore is derived from Jesus Christ through the Apostles. the profession of their belief in the doctrines of the Church; for the oblation of themselves, that dving to the world, they may live with Christ, and for the offering of bread and wine to be changed by the power of the Holy Ghost, and the institution of the Redeemer, and the Ministry of the Clergyman into the body and blood of Jesus Christ, that they may thus (1 Cor. xi. 26.) make a commemoration of him shewing forth the death of the Lord until his second coming, and receiving by the oblation of this victim, the application of the fruits of redemption to their souls. Whilst in addition to this, they who prove and try themselves, may by eating Christ, also live by him. (John vi. 58.) In the contemplation of such a scene the soul breaks from her prison, and flies, not over an imaginary land of vision, but traversing the regions of the East, collects the facts of ages, and brings into one point, the sacrifice of Abel, and that of Melchisedec, its application by the royal Psalmist, that lamb of Egypt, the institution of the Eucharistic oblation, and the sufferings of Calvary, exhibiting thus to the intellect the best subjects for reflection and to the affections, the most powerful excitements to piety and devotion.

At such a moment as this me soul is prepared for prayer, and the incense which is its emblem is finally introduced, as well to spread its perfumes round the holy place as to waft its odour to the heavens. It is blessed ur der the intercession of the Archangel Michael standing at the right hand side of the Altar of incense, and of all the elect, &c.* Some ancient Missals have it Gabriel, instead of Michael, and this would appear to be more critically correct, for clearly

[&]quot; Sacram. S. Greg. Miss. du Tillet and de Sees.

the prayer appears to be an allusion to the first chap ter of St. Luke where, verse 11, the Angel appears on the right hand side of the altar of incense, and verse 19, he states that he is Gabriel. Others state that it alludes to the 8th chapter of the Apocalypse verse iii. &c. And another Angel came and stood before the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given to him much incense, that he should offer of the prayers of all the saints upon the golden altar, which is before the throne of God. And the smoke of the incense of the prayers of the saints, ascended up before God from the hand of the Angel. They state this angel to be Michael, the prince of the heavenly host, and state the prayer to be addressed to God, by the intercession of his Archangel and the heavenly host to cause our prayers to be equally acceptable to the Most High, and our incense to ascend with equal favour in his presence as that mentioned in the Apocalypse.

The celebrant washes the extremities of his fingers at the epistle side, repeating the portion of the xxvi. Psalm, which commences at the 6th verse, I will wash. &c. The custom is very ancient; it is done for a double object, natural and mystic. The first, because the hands having now been used in the offering and incensing might have contracted some slight soil should be cleansed, particularly the extremities of those fingers which are to touch the holy Sacrament; the second, to shew that the person offering this holy Sacrifice, should be free from even the smallest stain of sin, or spiritual filth. St. Denis the Areopagite in his work on the Eccles. Hiear, chapter 10, mentions this washing of the fingers in the following words: "The Pontiff accompanied by the venerable order of Priests, washing his hands; for he that is washed (as the Scriptures testify) needs no other washing than that of his extremities, or tops of the fingers, by which indeed the greatest cleanliness is produced," &c. And again, "It is right that they who approach to this most pure sacrifice, should be

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cleansed from even the least distractions of the soul." This is a fine allusion to that act of humility and instruction of the Saviour, on the night when he established the Eucharistic institution, as read in the 13th chapter of the Gospel according to St. John. "He that is washed needeth not but to wash his feet, but is clean wholly." St. Cyrit of Jerusalem in the 5th chapter of his mystic catechism, says, "You have seen that a deacon washes the hands of the celebrant and of the other Priests about the altar. Think you it was to cleanse the body? By no means, for when we enter the church, we are not in such a state as to need washing for cleanliness. But this washing of the hands teaches us that we should be clean from all sin. for the hands signify our acts; to wash the hands then is nothing more than to purify our works." And the Apostolic constitutions remark, Lib. 8, chapter 11, "That the water which is in this place given to the priests to wash their hands, is a sign of the purity which becomes souls consecrated to God." Both celebrant and attendants should therefore on this occasion be penetrated with the most heartfelt sorrow for sins, and sincerely intreat pardon for their offences, and beg that the Lord may wash away their iniquities, not only from their hands but from their feet and their heads, (John xiii. 9,) and should any persons addicted to gross crimes be present, they should seriously enter into themselves and reflect, that if they live according to the works of the flesh, they cannot enter the kingdom of God. These works are manifest, fornication, uncleanliness, immodesty, luxury, drunkenness, revellings, and such like. (Galat. v.) If then they have yielded their members to serve uncleanliness and iniquity, unto iniquity, let them now yiela their members to serve justice unto sanctification. (Rem. vi. 19.) Let them wash away their crimes with the tears of contrition, and the blood of that lamb, who is about to be offered. Unless they attend with such dispositions, at the holy Sacrifice, they but make

a mockery of Christ, and God is not mocked with

impunity.

This ablution was performed at the epistle side—which, as before remarked, was, in a regularly built church, the south side, and therefore next to the sacristy, where the necessaries of the altar were kept—the psalm was concluded by the doxology, "Glory be to the Father," &c.—except in Masses for the dead, when the usual conclusion of the psalms on that occasion, was substituted. "Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine unto them. Amen." And in times of most solemn penance, it was omitted, as being an expression of joyful praise.

The celebrant then comes to the middle part of the altar, and bowing down, says the next prayer, Receive, O Holy Trinity, &c. This prayer in its present form is probably a cause of difficulty to some persons who do not examine with sufficient care, nor reflect upon what they too hastily condemn. They object that by this prayer, the church professes to offer the sacrifice equally to the blessed trinity and to the saints. This is not the fact, nor is such the meaning of the prayer. It consists of three distinct parts. The first requesting the oblation to be received in memory of the Passion. Resurrection and Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. This is distinct, and the plain meaning of the request is evidently conformable to the institution, Do this for a commemoration of me. (Luke xxii.v. 19) The second part, requesting the oblation to be received in honour of the blessed Virgin, and other saints-tna: it may be available to their honour and to our salva-This latter clause, "our salvation," creates no difficulty. The question is now what is meant by offering the sacrifice in honour of the saints? First, then, the word honour in the first part of the prayer, is clearly not an exact, though it be a literal translation of the original prayer-for it should be rather translated on the festival of the blessed Virgin, &c.

Le Brun remarks* that the words found in the oldest ropies are in honore, and not in honorem, and statem also, that the words ad honorem, found immediately after strengthens the proof of this reading being corect, for the persons who framed the prayer would otherwise have fallen into a glaring and inexplicable tautology. In honore evidently ought to be translated on the festival or at the time we honour. Thus it would appear as well from the critical examination, as from various facts which that author adduces, that this is the true meaning of this first phrase. But adhonorem, that it may be available to their honour, i. e. the saints, is distinct, we must then see its meaning.

St. Augustine writes,† "So that although we raise altars to the memory of the martyrs, we do not build any to them. For which of our prelates at any time celebrating at the altar in any of the places of the saints, has said, 'We offer unto thee, Peter, or Paul. or Cyprian?' But that which is offered, is offered to God who has crowned the martyrs, at those places where is celebrated their memory whom he has crowned." And again, in another place, " ‡ Nor do we give to those martyrs temples, priests and sacrifices: because, not they, but their God is our God." no sacrifice was offered to the saints, though places were consecrated to their memory, where their virtues were honoured, and altars raised at which this honour was paid. Not by sacrifice to them, but by sacrifice to God; to their God and ours, to him who enabled them by his grace to triumph over sin, and to obtain glory—the honour we pay to them redounds to him, who in them has crowned his own graces; and when we pray that this sacrifice may be received by the Godhead, it is to the holy Trinity it is offered, not to saints: it is offered in commemoration of Christ, on

^{*} Explic. lit. hist. and dog. part iii. art. ix. † Lib. 20, contra Faust. c. 21. ‡ Lib. 8 de civ. c. 27.

the festival of the saints, perhaps in places consecrated to God in their memory, and we pray it may be evailable to their honour, we do not offer it to them that they may receive it-this would be idolatry. But it is offered to God to their honour; and so far from this being derogatory to the honour of Christ, or against his institutions, it is calculated to promote his honour, and in conformity with his institutions; for when we honour the saints, we only pay to God the homage of our praise for their perfections, we praise his work in them, and their glory redounds to Him who created them and sanctified them: and surely it was to procure them honour, and glory, and salvation, that he sacrificed himself on Calvary, and we only repeat the offering for the purpose of commemorating and fulfilling his institutions. Nay, he distinctly declares, For them do I sacrifice myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth, and its consequence, honoured in glory. (John xvii. 19.)

Thus the sacrifice is offered to the Trinity, but not to the saints, and though they are honoured, that respect redounds to the greater glory of the Lord.

The third part of the prayer is a request that those saints whose memory we celebrate on earth may intercede for us in heaven. Here, then, we distinctly point out how far they can assist us "by intercession," and we show that intercession to be again subordinate to that of the Redeemer, and only available through his merits, for the prayer concludes by the words which clearly prove those merits to be the foundation on which we rest all our hope by those words, "Through the same Christ, our Lord, Amen."

But why, it is said, need we ask to have our sacrince received, if that sacrifice be Christ, who must necessarily be acceptable. Because we are not necessarily acceptable, and the object is to apply to us the benefit of this offering, by granting to us those dispositions which will qualify us to profit by that which in itself is excellent.

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This prayer was originally said, only on the festivals of saints, and special mention then was made of that saint whose festival was celebrated, but during the latter 700 or 800 years the special name has been omitted, and the general form used as now. Many of the ancient Missals style it the prayer of St Ambrose, we however, have no better evidence to attribute its formation to him.

The celebrant then having kissed the altar through respect, turns round to request the faithful to pray with him, saying Orote fraires, &c. "Brethren pray," &c.—the answer to which is given in the name of the people by the attendant praying Suscipiat, &c. "May the Lord receive," &c. The celebrant pronounces only the first words in an audible voice; and repeats the remainder in a perfectly under tone, to teach the faithful that silent or internal prayer, together with meditation on the divine mysteries is what best befits the solemn occasion which now presents itself; and this invitation is given to rouse them from any distractions which might have occupied their thoughts, as well as to excite them to greater attention to the solemn mysteries: and in order to cut off all occasion of distraction from the celebrant, no person is allowed to come so near as to be under his observation, except when it is necessary to attend him. Nor does he turn round towards the people from this moment until after the conclusion of the Sacrifice; but as Moses held his hands lifted and apart in prayer upon the mountain, in order that Israel might overcome Amalec. (Exod. xvii.) He now holds them in the same manner whilst the faithful endeavour to overcome that enemy who impedes their progress to the true land of our inheritance: nor does he change them from this position except when any special act is to be done. which requires their use and on a few other occasions which shall be noticed.

The mode of invitation to prayer at this place, and us answer have varied very considerably, but the

substance has always been the same. In many of the ancient Missals, the words which the priest says now in a loud voice, viz. Orate fratres, is all that was marked, whilst others entered more fully into the explanation of the object of the prayer. In the liturgy of St. Chrysostom, the celebrant and deacon mutually said: "May the Holy Ghost descend upon you," and in the liturgy of St. James, the celebrant continued his prayer at the altar, and just before the preface the assistants prayed as in the liturgy of St. Crysostom. In others the celebrant gave the invitation, and the people prayed without giving a special answer; but the present order has been generally established in the Latin church during 800 or 900 years.

The prayer exhibits the progress of charity and the communion of the faithful: after seeking the praise and glory of the Lord, we then desire our own henefit, and then that of the whole church; showing that we must first love God above all things, even above ourselves, then loving ourselves, and our

brethren as ourselves for the love of God.

The celebrant then reads the prayer or prayers called the secret or secrets, the number of which corresponds to the number of Collects. This prayer has been differently called, sometimes Super oblita "over the oblations." This needs no explanation, for now the oblations were on the altar. This is found in the Sacramentary of St. Gregory, and in that of Pope St. Gelasius. They are more generally called Secreta or Secrets. Some authors say that this name was given because they were said in a low voice; however, we have seen all the prayers since the offertory, and find that with the exception of the preface, and the Lord's Prayer, all the other prayers to the end of the Canon are said in a low voice. The compiler of this essay is therefore more inclined to the opinion of the great Bishop of Meaux* that this

^{*} Bossuet Explicat De la Messe, parag. ii.



prayer was called Secreta, because it was said over the part of the offerings of the people, which was to be consecrated after the Secretio or separation had been made. This explanation appears the more natural as being at the same time founded upon a fact, and having the very same meaning as super oblata the other title of the prayer.

During the repetition of the secret prayers the celebrant is supposed to have so thoroughly imbibed the spirit of devotion, that he no longer can contain it within, and he therefore concludes them by repeating or singing the latter words per omnia Secula Secularum, "World without end" aloud; the choir answers "Amen." The next salutation is that of Dominus voliscum which has been already explained. Then Sursum Corda, "Lift up your hearts," to which he is answered Habemus ad Dominum, "We have lifted them up to the Lord." Then the celebrant says or sings, Gratias agamus Domino Deo nostro, "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." And is answered, Dignum et Justum est, "It is meet and just," after which he says or sings the preface, which is so called, because it immediately precedes the canon of the Mass.

Formerly, in some churches, immediately after the Orate fratres the sanctuary was enclosed in curtains. and the celebrant was not seen, hence it was useless for him to turn towards the faithful in saluting them during the canon, or immediately preceding it: but even where there were no curtains, as at present we have none, the solemn occupation of the celebrant prevents his turning round. The most ancient liturgies contain this invitation to lift up our hearts to the Lord, and it is so general through all the first writers and early documents, as to be evidently of Apostolic introduction. It is found in the constitutions by Clement Lib. 8. c. 17. St. Cyprian. fer. 6. de orat. Dom. Cyril of Jerusalem. Cat. Myst. 5. divers places in St. John Chrysostom and St. Augustine, &c. The invitation to give thanks to the Lord our

God is equally ancient, and the preface is found in

every liturgy which has been discovered.

The Greeks have only one preface, but the Latins have had a vast number, almost every principal festival of the great mysteries or of any distinguished saint. having a proper preface: but about the year 1050, they were reduced to ten, and all the others abolished. Those retained, are the same that were enumerated as fully sanctioned by the church, about the year 580, by Pope Pelagius II, in his answer to the Bishops of Germany and France. They are the common preface, and those of Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Easter, Ascension, Pentecost, the Trinity, the Apostles, and the Cross. Pope Urban II, in the year 1095, approved of that of the blessed Virgin in the councils of Plaisance and Clermont. Though the decree be not found in the acts of the councils, it is quoted by Gratian fifty years after. Those form at present the body of prefaces of the Roman Missal.

Nothing can be more appropriate than for man who aspires to a heavenly country, to lift up his heart and seek for it. His thoughts and his desires should be in heaven, for where his treasure is, there also should his heart be; he desires to join with the angels in glory, then should he also join with them here below in praising their great Creator. And nothing can surely be more just, nor more necessary than that we who have received all things from his bounty, and who have so often experienced his mercy, should give him thanks therefor; but at no moment should our gratitude be more strong, nor our feelings more lively, than when we contemplate the Son of God slain for our transgressions, and now expect him upon the altar to be under the sacramental veils, at once our victim, and

our sustenance.

Our praises are given to God, through our Lord Jesus Christ; and in giving them, we behold him, surrounded as it were by the whole heavenly court, from the most humble angel, the most ardent seraph, who rapt in the fire of love, burns in extacy and blazes in glory near the throne. And they rest not day and night, saying HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, and giving glory and honour and benediction to him that sitteth on the throne. (Apoc. iv. 8.) In the fervour of the moment, the celebrant invites his flock to join with them in the sacred canticle, and the choir and people unite in their jubilee of exultation.

In saying those words, Holy, &c., the celebrant joins his hands, and bows down his head, in humble adoration, whilst he repeats to the "Lord God of Sabaoth, the heavens and the earth are full of his glory: Hosanna in the highest; blessed is he who cometh in the name of the Lord;" and he makes the sign of the cross, to exhibit the source of blessing to fallen man, and repeats "Hosanna in the highest."

This hymn is found in all the most ancient liturgies.* St. Gregory of Nyssa, in his address to the Catechumens, urging them to accelerate their preparation for baptism, "Why do you not hasten to receive baptism, that you may be able to sing with the faithful the canticle of the Seraphim?" And St. John Chrysostom asks the faithful how they can sing indecent songs with those mouths which have chaunted Holy, Holy, Holy to the Lord. It was formerly omitted on fast days, and in Masses for the dead; but the second council of Vaison, in 529, at which St. Cesarius was present, ordered it to be said at all Masses, "even in Lent and for the dead." This cus tom soon became general.

The hymn is found in the first place in the sixth chapter of the prophet Isaias, where we read the very words, as sung by the seraphim, Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Sabaoth, or of armies, or hosts; the heavens and the earth are full of his glory. For the reason which has been previously given, the church retains the original Hebrew word Sabaoth, instead of taking

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^{*} Sec Le Brun, part iv. parag. 4.

its translation. St. Ambrose says, the triple chaunt is in honour of the Trinity;* and this great Lord is called the God of armies or of hosts; for he is that Ancient of days described by Daniel, † from before whom a fiery stream issued, and thousands of thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times hundreds of thousands stood before him. Tertullian says, that the church causes us to repeat it here below,‡ that we may be associated with those in whose company we hope to rest for eternity.

But now coming more directly to the specific object of the sacrifice, the church contemplates him who reconciled us to his Father, and beholding his near approach, she puts into our mouths the Hosanhas to him who comes in the name of the Lord. son of David, not now entering Jerusalem to be mangled upon the cross, but preparing to descend upon our altar to immolate himself as the victim of his own love and our salvation. Hosanna is not only an ejaculation of praise, but also a prayer for It was the cry of the Jews at the feast of Tabernacles, and of the multitudes, who strewed their garments in his way, and accompanied Jesus into Jerusalem, bearing branches in their hands, and crying out, Hosanna to the Son of David, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest. Matt. xxi. 9.

The various other additions to the preface on the occasion of special feasts, or observances, are sufficiently explanatory in themselves, such as the shedding of that ray of divine light upon us by the birth of the Saviour, which is ailuded to in the preface, proper for christmas. His appearing manifest in our flesh, in that for Epiphany. The object of the fast in Lent; the effect of his crucifixion in the preface of the cross; his sacrifice, by which he is our Pasch, and his resurrection at Easter; his conversation with

^{&#}x27;Lib. xxx. c. 18, de Spir. Sanc. tvii. 9, &c. ‡De orat. iii.

his apostles and ascension; the descent of the Holy Ghost at whitsuntide, and the effects of this descent; the favour conferred on the blessed Virgin Mary, and the power of the apostles, together with the unity of the church, and the source of spiritual jurisdiction. All those are separately and specially brought in review before our minds through the year, on various occasions, by the special or proper prefaces.

The assistant rings the bell at the sanctus, to rouse the attention of the congregation, and to excite them

to join in the hymn.

The next part is the canon. This has its name from being a part which has always been an unchanging rule, by which the celebrant was to be directed; and which was not subject to the discretion of the priest or bishop, even in those early days when much was left to their prudence. The meaning of the word canon, is "a rule." It consists of that part of the Liturgy which commences with the words Te igitur clemen tissime pater, &c.; "we therefore humbly pray," &c., down to the words per omnia Sæcula Sæculorum, Amen. "For ever and ever, Amen," just before the Lord's prayer. But latterly the canon is considered to comprise the Lord's prayer, and to extend to the prayers at taking the chalice and the ablutions inclusive.

This is one of the most ancient parts of the Liturgy; we find it in very nearly the same words as are now in the Roman Missal, in the ancient Ordo Romanus, which quotes it as of the oldest date. It is on all hands agreed that the last person who amended and reduced it to its present form, was Pope St. Gregory the great, in the year 595. Kemnitz and most others who have written against the Catholic doctrine on this point, say that in the year 590 it assumed its present form. In his 63d epistle, St. Gregory states that before his time, but he does not state exactly when, it had been compiled by an em-

ment scholastic; that is, by a person of considerable information. Pope Vigilius in the year 545, mentions it as "the text of canonical prayer." Pope Leo I. in the year 445, added the following words, Sanctum Sacrificium et immaculatum hostiam, "a holy sacrifice and unspotted victim," just after the words tibi obtulit Sacerdos tuus Melchisedech "thy high priest Melchisedech offered to thee," at the conclusion of the second paragraph after the words of consecration: and Pope Innocent I. calls the canon by excellence "The prayer," in the year 408, in his epistle to Decentius, where he speaks of the custom of repeating the names, or making the memento, "before the priest makes the prayer." St. Augustine about the year 420, calls it by the same name, where he says in his 149th epistle, that " nearly the entire church concludes all its petition with the Lord's prayer." St. Ambrose who was the teacher of St. Augustine, in his fourth book on the Sacraments, has the two prayers which immediately precede the consecration, and the two which immediately follow it, almost letter for letter as they are now found in the canon, and he quotes them as taken from the ancient rites. In the 4th chapter of this 4th book he distinctly mentions the substance of the first prayer of our canon, as does Optatus of Melevi, in his second book against Parmenian, and St. Augustine in his 84th tract on St. John, mentions those prayers thereof, in which the saints are named and invoked, and prayers offered for the dead. St. Cyprian in the year 250, calls it the prayer which follows the preface. St. Cyril of Jerusalem, St. Basil, and Pope Vigilius testify that those customs and prayers were handed down from the apostles; and this testimony was not contradicted, but was supported by their cotemporaries and immediate Successors. It was also called Actio, Mysterium, &c., by many of the most ancient writers. St. Pelagius writes both phrases. In actione Sacri Mysterii is the name by which he calls it * " in the performance of the holy mystery." The second council of Carthage in the year 390, calls it *Ordo Agendi* "the order of doing"—that is of producing the Sacraments or offering the Sacrifice-doing an act. Those who are at all conversant with the history of the early ages of the church, will not be astonished at not finding earlier written documents upon subject, for they are well aware of the custom which prevailed during the first three centuries and a half, of not committing the forms of the sacraments or the prayers of the mysteries to writing, they were taught to the Clergy, and not written: hence we could have no earlier documents. It must be then quite plain that no better evidence could be expected

of the antiquity of our canon.

But in addition to these we may add some considerations which have very great weight. First it is usual in the dyptics of the churches to insert the names of the saints, to be repeated in the canon; now in this canon there is not the name of any but of a martyr of a very early date-therefore all the dyptics which have been introduced, must have been of a corresponding period, and not later than the third century. Secondly, we have the most accurate statements of all the changes that have been made in the canon by any of the Pontiffs, and they are very few; we have also the various additions to that part of the office, which was left more to discretion than the canon, hence we conclude that if the canon was not of apostolic origin, we would have had some account of its author; or if any serious change had been made, we would have learned it equally as well as we did that made by Pope Leo, and that other by Pope Gregory, when in his revision thereof he added the words Diesque nestros in tua pace disponas. " And dispose our days in thy peace, ' as at the end of the prayers said by the celebrant with his

^{*} S. Pelag. in Ep. Agobard. ad. Ludov. imp.

hands spread over the offering—and again in the enumeration of the apostles, the order is very different from any other which we find; and can be best accounted for, as also can the introduction of their names and of those of saints who lived nearly two centuries after the apostles, in a work attributed to the apostolic age, by the account of what the dyptics were—as shall be given.

We shall now examine the prayers of the canon, and find that as the council of Trent declares,* it contains nothing but what is calculated to lift the soul to God, and that it consists of the compositions of our Lord himself, of the apostles, and the most

holy and earliest Pontiffs.

The celebrant begins by lifting his hands and eyes to heaven, in imitation of our divine Lord, when invoking his eternal Father, then he respectfully kisses the altar, and at the words "these gifts, these presents, these holy and unspotted sacrifices," he thrice makes the sign of the cross over the offering to consecrate it to God through the merits of Christ, and then continues the prayer with his hands lifted and extended, until that part where he invokes the Lord for his living friends, "Be mindful, O Lord"-here he closes his hands, and rests for a short time in mental prayer for them, and also to give the congregation an opportunity of enumerating their friends in their prayers. After which he extends his hands and continues, to the end of that prayer, "Through the same Christ, our Lord-Amen."

The object of this prayer is evident; it is to obtain from the eternal Father, the author of all good, through the merits of his beloved Son, the blessings which we ask for. The first of those is, that he would "vouchsafe to accept" the offering which we make; it is as yet but bread and wine, but we offer it for the purpose of its being made the body and blood of Jesus Christ—tor

which end the blessing of the eternal Father is necessary thereon; hence he is prayed "to bless these gifts." We call that which is given by a superior to an inferior, a gift, and as we have received those from God, who is our superior, we make the acknowledgement of his bounty even in our making the offering; but what an inferior presents with a request that it may be received well, expresses what we do in giving "these presents" to our superior, with a request that he may accept them as our "sacrifice" which is already "holy," as having been consecrated to him, and "unspotted," for it is the purest which we can bestow, and we anticipate that under those mystic veils will soon be placed the "unspotted" lamb figured by him who in Egypt was chosen without blemish.

The object of our oblation is in the first place for the Holy Catholic Church—because we are brethren throughout the whole world, having but one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and father of all, to whom Christ our Lord, ascending on high, led captivity captive, and gave gifts to men. (Ephes. iv. 5, &c.) We then request of the Lord "to grant peace" to the church by saving it from the persecution of enemies, "to preserve it" in that peace by taking away enmity, "I will and malice, "to unite it" by removing the spirit of schism which too often exhibits itself, and "to govern the church throughout the world," by preserving the spirit of unity in the bond of peace.

And as we have but one fold under one shepherd (John x. 16.) the next petition is for him who as the vicegerent of Christ, is our visible head here below, we therefore pray specially for our holy father the Pope—according to the injunction of St. Paul to the Hebrews, Remember your prelates who have spoken the accord of God to you. (xiii. 7.) and the bishop of Rome being the centre of Catholic communion, we should necessarily first offer up our prayers for him after asking for the unity of the Catholic Church; such

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were the sentiments of St. Iræneus,* when he mentions the necessity of every other church agreeing with that of Rome, and as St. Cyprian says,† he presides as the vicar of Jesus Christ, as the successor of Peter, upon whom only the church was founded, to show its essential unity.

In the year 449 Dioschorus, patriarch of Alexandria, struck the name of Pope Leo from the dyptics of his church, and it was looked upon as an enormous Nicephorus mentions in his xvi L. 17 c. Acacius, the bishop of Constantinople dured to efface from the dyptics the name of Pope Felix II. in 480. The emperor Constantine, Pogonot mentions in a letter which is found in the acts of the Council of Constantinople, in the year 680 and is addressed to the Pope Agatho, that he resisted the patriarch who strove to erase his name from the dyptics: but the great schism under Photius, in 875, completely separated a great portion of the east from Catholicity. and thenceforward it is excluded by his adherants; but the Catholics whether in the east or the west have retained it.

After the name of him who governs the entire church, the name of him who governs the particular portion is next mentioned, for as the Pope is the centre of unity for the whole church, the bishop is for the whole diocese, as St. Cyprian says in his 66th epistle, "that is a church, a people united to their priest, and the shepherd adhering to his flock." And nothing can be more natural than that the faithful should pray for their bishops, (Heb. xiii. 17,) because they watch as being to render an account of the souls of their flock, therefore the flock should pray for them. and in some places where there are Catholic princes. heir names are added.

The names of those persons of whom special mention was made in the Mass, were formerly written on

^{*} Lib. 3, De Hercs | † Lib. de unit. Eccl.

papers or parchment folded twice, so that they were called dyptics, from this double fold; hence then were found upon the dyptics, the names of the Pope, of the Bishop, of the King or Emperor, where he was a Catholic, and in another part of the saints of whom commemoration was made, or whose festivals were celebrated; and again, of the dead to be prayed for, as we shall see in their proper places. Thus a name being on the dyptics meant its being written on the scrip of the altar for some one of those purposes.

The prayer continues to advert to the sacrifice being offered not only for those, but also for our other living friends of whom we choose to make special mention; and to allow an opportunity for this the celebrant rests to make his own memento in the proper place, and to allow the assistants to make theirs, but the prayer first reminds them of the necessity of faith without which it is impossible to please God; (Heb. xi. 6.) and hence the prayer continues "as also for all orthodox believers and professors of the Catholic and apostolic faith"-that faith which is the belief of all nations, and which has been derived from the apostles, and is not the offspring of human vanity nor of human ingenuity, but of apostolic tradition, and which was originally received from Christ himself, and is not the little produce of any single nation and its colonies, and the descendants of the colonists, but that body of doctrine spread through every nation by the messengers of Christ, and exhibited in every age by their successors.

After this special application to individuals the celebrant next reflects upon the numbers that surround him—and says "and of all here present, whose faith and devotion are known unto thee, for whom we offer, or who offer up to thee this sacrifice of praise;" because, although the sacrifice is in itself excellent, its application to individuals will be generally beneficial, only in proportion to their faith and devotion, of which the searcher of hearts alone can judge.

hence the necessity of our attending with the dispositions which have been before enumerated, and of preserving our devotion unimpaired throughout.

Formerly, as we have seen, the faithful made offerings in kind for the sacrifice, and other offerings towards the support of the clergy; hence that expression, "who offer unto thee," but subsequently upon the custom falling into disuse, an offering was made in money, instead of the original one in kind, with a request that the celebrant would make a sperial offering of the sacrifice on behalf of the contributor; hence the words "for whom we offer"—but as the faithful join with the celebrant, and as he acts as their minister, and on their behalf, they too may be said "to offer this sacrifice of praise for themselves their families and friends."

Every christian has three great objects in view, the preservation of his bodily health, which is the shief temporal blessing he can expect, his spiritual freedom and the eternal salvation, but he recollects the injunction of the Lord: Be not solicitous saying what shall we eat, or what shall we drink, or wherewith shall we be covered—for all those things the hea-thens seek after. ** ** seek first the kingdom of God und his justice, &c. (Matt. vi. 31.) Hence his first petition for himself and his friends is, " for the relemption of their souls," which have been enslaved by sin; and next "for the health" of the body, and casting his eyes forward to those regions of eternity, whither he and his friends must pass from this vale of tears, he adds, " and the salvation they hope for, and for which they now pay their vows," that is, offer up their earnest supplications " to thee, the eternal living and true God."

The first word of the next paragraph is differently understood by writers on the Liturgy. "Communicating" or holding communion with, is by many, referred to the saints, whose names follow, to shew that though now separated from us, and in glory as

the church triumphant, we are members of the same body, holding the same faith as they did on earth. Whilst others say, that it only means holding communion with each other, as members of the true Church here below, and adduce in support of their opinion other parts of the Liturgy, which on some occasions are introduced immediately after the word "Communicating," and altogether disjoining it from the subsequent part of the prayer; as on Easter Sunday, where the meaning is evident, "Being united in communion, and celebrating this sacred day of the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to the flesh: moreover honouring the memory of the ever

glorious, &c."

This portion of the Canon teaches us to honour the memory of the saints, to seek their intercession, and enumerates some of the principal and earliest of those holy personages. Different churches had different names in this place, and many of them a longer enumeration. In the first ages of the church, there was placed upon the altar a paper or parchment folded double, whence it was called a Dyptic; it was the register of that church; this had three columns, one in which the names of the Pope, the Bishop, sometimes the King or Emperor, and of the benefactors of the church, were inscribed, and this was frequently read aloud at the beginning of the In the second column were the names of the saints who were principally honoured and invoked in that church, and lastly the names of deceased persons belonging to the church for the repose of whose souls the prayers of the living were implored. Thus the Dyptics exhibited at once the three states of the faithful, militant, triumphant and suffering, but still united in the communion of Saints. The difference of those registers in different churches will now be no cause of surprise, nor will it exhibit any difference of faith, for though the names may be, and must generally be different, the principles of their

introduction must evidently be the same. At a very early period, the names of the Saints whose memory was to be principally honoured, were transferred from the Dyptics to the Canon, and as the enumeration would be almost interminable if all who were honoured and invoked should be named, only a few were inserted, and the general phrase added, "and of all thy Saints." Without entering into any proof to support the doctrine, one remark may be allowed, that whatever merits we attribute to them, or whatever aid we expect from them, must all be from that great source of good to us "Christ our Lord." And in the invocation we only follow what has been transmitted to us from the days of the apostles, by whose immediate disciples their names were placed upon the Registers, and to which were afterwards added the names of those who like them had lived in the practice of virtue, and died in the odour of sanctity. Mention was made of them at the altar, as St. Augustine says, * "At the very table, we commemorate them, not that we should pray for them, but rather, that they might pray for us," and in another place †
"It is an injury to pray for a martyr, to whose prayers we should be commended." And thus a learned expounder of the Canon writes ‡ " We honour the head in his members. God in his Saints."

Being thus fortified by the intercession of those Saints, the celebrant now spreads his hands over the offerings: as the high priest of Judea formerly laid his hands upon the goat to load that victim with the sins of the people, and as the priests of the old law always laid their hands upon the heads of those victims which were offered for sin. By laying his hands thus over the oblation, he too identifies himself therewith, and thus makes the complete sacrifice of himself, the people, and the bread and wine to the

^{*} Tract 84 in Joan. † Serm. 17 de verbis Apost. ‡Ode Camerac. in Expos. Sac. Can. dis. 2.

Lord, for the purposes recited in the prayer, where he entreats the Almighty "graciously to accept this oblation of his servitude" in the ministry, "as also of his whole family," that congregation of which he is the head. The special objects now enumerated are first " the disposition of our days in peace." That peace which is the result of a good conscience, that peace which the world cannot give, (John xiv. 27,) -because the world frequently fulls the conscience into a deceitful repose, saying peace, peace, and there is no peace; the second object is to "preserve us from eternal damnation," by keeping us in this life from sin, which alone can produce damnation; and the third object is, to "rank us in the number of the elect;" because in his mercy he can choose us, and select us, and give us extraordinary aid, whereby favouring us in his good will, more than others, to whom he gives a sufficiency of grace to enable them to be saved, if they will correspond therewith; he can pour forth his assistance more abundantly upon us, and thus insure our salvation by his extraordinary mercy. All this we implore "through Christ our Lord," (John xvi. 24,) who exhorts us to ask in his name.

The expression of the three great objects of our offering in this prayer was added to the Canon by St. Gregory the great, as we read in his life by John the Deacon, L. 2. n. 17, in Walfridus lib. de rebus. Eccl. c. 22, in the sixth lesson of his festival in the Breviary, March 12, and from the venerable Bedc. Hist. Eccl. 1 2 c. 1. "And also in the celebration of the Mass, he superadded these phrases full of the greatest perfection diesque nostros," &c. However Amalarius in prefat 2, in lib. de Off. states that the objects were substantially contained in the Canon in the times of St. Ambrose, which was two hundred years earlier.

We now come to the prayer which immediately precedes the consecration, and which we find in every Latin formula that is extant, and which has always been looked upon as having been altogether derived from the Apostles. And as regards the substance of the prayers, the only difference between the Latin and Eastern liturgies on this point, is, that the Greeks repeat the prayer which they have correspondent to this, after the form instituted by our Saviour, and the Latins place it immediately before the words of his institution.

We are now arrived at that part which is the most solemn, important, and interesting of the entire; every thing hitherto had reference remotely or proximately to the awful moment which approaches. For now the true victim is about to be produced. Ir a well regulated Cathedral, this indeed is a moment of splendid, improving, and edifying exhibition to the well instructed Christian. The joyful hosannas of the organ have died away in deep and solemn notes which seemed to be gradually lost as they ascended to the throne of God, and solemn silence pervades the church: the celebrant stands bareheaded about to perform the most awful duty in which man could possitiv be engaged. His assistants in profound expectation await the performance of that duty; taperbearers line the sides of the Santuary, and with their lighted lamps await the arrival of their Lord. Incense-bearers kneel, ready to envelope the altar in a cloud of perfumes which represents the prayers of the Saints; and at the moment of the consecration when the celebrant elevates the host, and the tinkling of a small bell gives notice of the arrival of the lamb, every knee is bent, every head is bowed, gratulating music bursts upon the ear, and the lights which surround the throne of him who comes to save a world, are seen dimly blazing through the clouds · of perfumed smoke, which envolopes this mystic place. Yet even on the most humble altar which religion rears, and at which poverty attends, though stripped of all external point and circumstance of

show; the same victim is found, the same graces may be obtained, and purer piety may kneel with more sensible devotion, and form a closer alliance with the Saviour of the world, especially if by eating his flesh and drinking his blood, the union of abode in Christ should take place, for his fiesh is meat indeed, and his blood is drink indeed. (John vi. 56.)

We have in the Gospels a short record of the acts of the Saviour, at the institution. Jesus took bread, and blessed, and brake; and he gave to his disciples and said: take ye and eat: this is my body, and taking the chalice, he gave thanks and gave to them, saying: Drink ye all of this. For this is my blood of the new testament, which shall be shed for many, unto remission of sins. (Matt. xxvi. 26, 27.) Here we find the acts to be taking bread, blessing it, breaking it, giving to his disciples what he held, accompanied by a declaration that it was his body. This is no place to enter upon an examination of the word brake, as this is not a controversial disquisition; but it may be observed that many eminent linguists, and deep antiquarians, and learned divines, state the meaning to be breaking in sacrifice, because the word has been frequently used in that sense; and this they state to be the key to the explanation of the words in St. Mark xiv. 22, where the whole is described as one act, tlessing broke; that is, by his blessing offered the sacrifice; and to that of St. Luke xxii. 19. This is my body which is given FOR you, not only given to you, for they say, if it were only a sacrament it would have been then only given to them, but not for them; as there was no other person to whom it could be given for them, because it was given to no other, and the verb is in the present tenze, and must refer to some act then in performance; and the distinction of tenses is made by each of the three Evangelists, where speaking of the blood in the subsequent verse, each says, shall be shed, that is future, referring to the next day. But if by his blessing

he did offer it in sacrifice, then indeed we can clearly see the acts to be taking bread, by blessing it for them, and afterwards giving the Sacrament to them.

Our only object at present is to trace as well as we can the origin, and to find the exact meaning of the prayer which immediately precedes the words of consecration in the Reman Missal. Christ used prayer, gave thanks, and he blessed the bread which he took, and then declared what substance was there; and he commanded the Apostles, and through them their successors, to do what he did, Do this.

It has been before remarked, and no fact is better established than it is, that in the early ages of the Church, the forms or words for the Sacraments were not committed to writing: thus St. Basil says * " who is it that has left us in writing the words which are used for the consecration of the Eucharist."-And just after he continues, "we are not content with using only those words which are reported by the Apostle, and the Gospel; but we add to them others before and after, as of great efficacy for the anysteries, and which we have learned only from this unwritten doctrine." Justin Martyr in his apology says, that our ordinary food "is changed into the Eucharist by the word of God and by prayer." Origent says, that "we eat of this bread sanctified by the word of God and by consecration." Tertullians says that Christ "made the bread his body by the words this is my body." St. Ambrose says | "The change of the bread and wine into the body and blood takes place the moment the words of Christ are pronounced: "before the consecration, it is broad, out when the words of Christ are added, it is no longer bread, but the body of Christ." The same writer says " "Blessing is of more efficacy than nature,

^{*} Li de Spiritu S. c. 27. † Apolog.2 ad Antonin. † Hom. 15. in Matt. §Tert. adver. Marc 1. 4. c. 40. || De Sacram 1. 4. c. 4. || TDe iis qui. init, c. 9.

for the blessing changes nature itself" and the example he adduces is the consecration of the Eucharist by the blessing. St. Augustine says,* "But our bread and chalice become mystical to us by consecration;" and in another place,† "It is consecrated by the mystic prayer." Thus we find, prayer, blessing and the words of Christ all through used for the consecration.

The prayer which next follows has been looked upon at all times as that which has come down from the Apostles, in the way mentioned by St. Basil. repeating it the celebrant thrice makes the sign of the Cross over the offerings, then once over the bread, and once over the wine, and lifting his eyes to heaven to invoke the power of the eternal God, and in imitation of the Saviour, he again holding the bread in his hand, makes the sign of the Cross over it at the word blessed, and pronounting the words of Consecration bending over the altar, and holding the host in his hands, he kneels to adore his Lord and Saviour then concealed under the appearance of bread, and rising, elevates it to be seen and adored by the people; and having again made his adoration, he repeats the same ceremony with regard to the Chalice.

In the prayer the celebrant entreats of the Lord "that he would vouchsafe in all respects to bless the oblation" now made, by separating it from common use to be a holy oblation, "to approve" it by ranking it amongst those, which having been sanctified, are looked upon with peculiar favour "to ratify," the same, by so fully confirming his benediction, as that these gifts may never more be taken from the Lord, "To make it rational" as well by enabling us to appear in a rational and becoming manner before our God, according to that of the Apostle. Ibeseech you brethren, by the mercy of God, that you present your bodies a living Sacrifice, holy, pleasing unto God your

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^{*} I ih. 20. Con:ra Faust. † Lib. 3 de Sacerd.

reasonable service, (Rom. xii. 1,) as by making it the body and blood of Christ, who taking away the Sacrifices of irrational animals offered himself with his rational soul, &c., and "acceptable," so that in every respect it may be faultless, not only on the part of the victim, but on the part of the celebrant and the assistants. The great object of all is thus expressed "that it may be made for us, the body and blood of the most beloved son Jesus Christ our Lord." There is no doubt but the institution of the Saviour will produce its effect; and the body and blood of Christ will be produced; but the object of the prayer is more, it is to have the benefit of his death applied to us, by making it available for us.

The other part which is the consecration, is taken thiefly from the Gospels, in the repetition of which the celebrant lifts his eyes to heaven, and blesses the bread and the chalice as the Saviour did, and having pronounced the words of consecration pays the tribute of his adoration to the true victim which has now been produced by the operation of the Holy Chost, in place of the substances of bread and wine

which have been destroyed.

We may here well exclaim with St. John Chrysostom,* "O miracle! O the benignity of God, who whilst he is seated with the Father above, is in the same moment of time in the hands of all, and gives himself to those who desire to receive and to embrace him." And again† "Elias left his cloak to his disciple, but the Son of God ascending on high left his flesh behind. Elias was indeed stripped, but Christ at the same time left it to us, and ascended with it in his possession." In another place he sayst "At that time the Angels assist with the Priest and the whole orders of heavenly powers lifts its shout; and the place near the altar is full of Angels in honour of him

^{*} Hom. 2. ad. pop. Antioc. † Lib. 6 de Sacerdot. ‡ Lib. 3 de Trin. c. 4.

who is in molated." He then relates a vision of an old man, who had often been favoured by the Lord with special manifestations, and who stated that, as far as human weakness could bear the sight, he was enabled on one occasion to behold a multitute of the heavenly host, such as appeared to the Shepherds on the night of the nativity, as related by the Evangelists, clad in shining garments, surrounding the altar at the time of consecration, and with their heads bowed down as soldiers, were accustomed to bow down before their kings and emperors, and in his 21st Homily on the Acts, the same writer has this passage, "What say you? The host is in his hands, the Angels are present, so are the Archangels, the Son of God is there, all attend with the greatest awe."

The mode of paying the tribute of adoration to the Saviour who then was present, was different according to the customs of the times and of the people. In the liturgy of St. James, the mode was for the deacon to proclaim immediately after the consecration, that it had taken place, and to call upon the congregation for their praise and preparation. following is the enumeration of epithets used by him, "For those oblated gifts, sanctified, precious, superheavenly, ineffable, unspotted, glorious, redoubtable, terrific, divine." In the mass of the pre-sanctified, "Now the virtues of the heavens join invisibly in adoration with us, for behold the Lord of glory enters," was the expression by which proclamation was made of the bringing in of the Sacrament which had been consecrated on the preceding Sunday; and in the liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, just before communion was the time fixed for it, then approaching-the person said, "I believe, O Lord, that thou art Christ, the son of the living God." "I will not give you a traitor's kiss, as Judas did."

In the Latin church, the principal time was at th old elevation; that is, just before the Lord's prayer when the celebrant lifting the host and the chalice tc-

gether, said the words "all honour and glory." The custom was so general, so well known, and so little notion of its being contradicted or called in question in the early days of the church, that we have scarcely anything written upon the subject. Thus although there are some few persons who do not take off their hats at present in their religious assemblies, yet the custom is so general and so well known, that the necessity of our stating the practice of our being uncovered in order to give the testimony to posterity would never strike any person. But if a serious deviation from an old doctrine were attempted, the persons who held that doctrine, would mark their adherence more strongly in order to its confirmation, thus it was only upon the attempt at innovating upon her doctrines that the Catholic Church more particularly marked by some striking exhibition, her adherence to truth and her opposition to innovation. The doctrine of the real presence was not seriously opposed until the time of Berengarius, in 1050; it is true he quoted John Scotus Erigena, and Bertram, about two centuries preceding; but their innovations were so little known, if indeed it were true that they compiled what was attributed to them, that they and their errors were then forgotten.

But centuries before their days, Theodoret* had stated that christians adored the sacred symbols, as being what they were believed to be; this expression, "what they were believed to be," is found in Tertulian, treating of the Eucharist, and in other early writers upon the same subject, as they did not wish to speak too openly of their doctrines before the Pagans. But St. Cyril of Jerusalem, informs us, as do many of the other writers before and at that time, what they believed it to be, when he tells the Christians of the profound respect he should feel in reaching out the hand upon which he was to receive his king,

^{*} Dial. 2. † Cat. v. Myst.

and how he should at the same time bow down in adoration before the sacred chalice. St Ambrose* treating of that passage of the 98th Psalm, above the footstool of his feet, says that it is the earth, which is that footstool; from that earth the flesh of Christ originally came, "this" he says "we adore in the mysteries, and it was this which the apostles adored in the Lord Jesus, as we said above." St. Augustine mentions it in his explanation of that verse of the 21st Psalm, † and all the rich ones of the people have eaten and adored, where he speaks of their coming to the Eucharist and eating that which they have adored; and again in his commentary on the 98th Psalm he explains the passage as St. Ambrose did, but much more fully, and amongst other expressions he has the following-" No person eats that flesh unless he have first adored it." In the ancient work on the Ecclesiastical Hierarchy attributed to Denis the Areopagyte we find a prayer of adoration addressed to Christ in the sacrament. Origen & in an address to the faithful about to communicate, tells them to humble themselves before their Lord as the centurion did. St. John Chrysostom in his 61st Homily to the people of Antioch, calls upon then to adore the Sacrament, and to receive it. In his liturgy the Rubric states after the consecration, the priest adores, then the deacon adores, and then the people adore, the deacon calling upon them to give their attention, the priest then makes the holy elevation. |

But this elevation, in the Greek church, was generally made just before the communion, and not, as we have it now, at the instant of consecration. The ceremony, as described by the ancient books and rituals, was very striking. It has been before observed, that at the beginning of the Canon, the sanctuary was closed, and curtains drawn round it; now

^{*}Lib 3 deSpir. Sanc. †Ep. 120 ad. Honor c. 27. ‡ Cap. 3, par,3. §Hom 5 in divers. ||Dela Hogue Tract de Euch. p. 147

the curtains were drawn aside, the gates flew open, and the celebrant presented the holy sacrament to the adoration of the faithful, before the communicants approached. In some places they knelt, in others they only bowed the head; and in some places a custom, even to this day, prevails, that soldiers only present their arms. St. John Chrysostom, in his 3d Homily to the people of Ephesus, says, that they should look upon the opening of the gates of the sanctuary as the opening of the gates of heaven; and with the eyes of faith to behold present Christ and his angels. And in his 61st, to the people of Antioch, "Behold the table of the King; angels are his attendants. The King is there; if your garments be clean, adore him, and receive the communion." St. Germanus, of Constantinople, in the middle of the 8th century, states,* that the elevation of the adorable body represents the elevation on the cross, and also the resurrection from the dead; and that when with this holv sacrament the sign of the cross is thrice made over the patten, it is in honour of the Trinity.

It was the custom for the deacon then to call out immediately after the elevation, "Holy things for holy persons;" and the people answered, "There is but one holy, one Jesus Christ, who is in the glory of his Father." "This," says Simon of Thessalonica, commenting on it, "is the fulfilment of that prophecy of St. Paul, that every knee shall bend at the name of Jesus, and every tongue confess, that the Lord lesus is in the glory of the Father."

Amalarius 1 mentions their remaining on their knees in adoration in the Latin church until the Lord's Prayer; just before which, formerly the only elevation of the host which was made took place. But after the errors of Berengarius, the piety of the faithful introduced stronger evidence of their faith, and

^{*} Lib. 1. Rer. Ecct. † Eucho! Græc p. 81 ‡ Lih. 3. c. 22 and 23.

the first person who introduced the elevation, as it is now practised in the Latin church, immediately after the consecration, is thought to be Hildebert, Bishop of Mans, and subsequently, about the year 1130, Archbishop of Tours in France. Many religious orders, which existed early in the twelfth century, had the custom then; and that also of ringing the bell at the elevation. Yvo of Chartres, who died in 1115, complimented Maud, queen of England, for the present which she made to the church of our lady of Chartres. of bells to ring at the consecration; but the custom was not yet general, for it was only in 1215 that a general statute was made, by order of Citeaux, to have the hell rung during the consecration; in 1188. Eudes, Bishop of Paris, ordered the host to be elevated at the consecration; and soon after, William, Bishop of Paris, made a statute to ring the bells. The custom was introduced into Germany in 1203. by Guy, the cardinal legate, and about the same period we have a statute of the Bishop of Coventry, in England, upon the subject. Thus the custom was caused by the error of Berengarius, in order to evince by more precise external observances, the belief which was always held.

The true victim being now upon the altar, we have no longer bread and wine to contemplate, but the body and blood of Christ under their appearance; and we must keep this in mind in considering the prayers which follow. In the first prayer the celebrant makes the sign of the cross over the victim, when he calls it "a pure host, an holy host, an unspected host, the holy bread of eternal life, and chalice of everlasting salvation." But it is no longer to bless them, for the Author of every blessing is there. The sign is made to remind us, first, that we have present the victim who immolated himself for us upon the cross: next that every blessing must be derived from that immolation, and then to commemorate his death, and obtain its application to our souls. We

here "his servants" at the altar, and "his holy people," who attend with devotion, thus fulfil the injunction of Christ, to do this in commemoration of him; for we commemorate the passion, resurrection, and ascension of our blessed Lord Jesus Christ, and "offer to his most excellent majesty this host, pure, boly, and unspotted, which has been now produced from those gifts and bounties which he has bestowed upon us."

The celebrant proceeds to entreat that the Lord would "vouchsafe to look with a propitious and serene countenance" upon our oblation, which now consists of the body and blood of Christ, and which must of its own nature be acceptable, and needs not our entreaty to gain favour in heaven; and ourselves and our prayers, which are not so perfect, and may therefore be objects of displeasure in his sight, in consequence of our crimes, and the imperfection of our acts, even when we undertake to do the work of the Holy Ghost. In the fear, therefore, which accompanies this doubt, we make the request, and to animate our hope, we call to mind some of our fellowmortals, whose dispositions did render them objects of celestial favour. We hence are emboldened to ask that he would "accept" us and our offering, "as he was graciously pleased to accept the gifts of his just servant Abel," who by faith offered to God a sacrifice exceeding that of Cain, by which he obtained a testimony that he was just. (Heb. xi. 4.) "And the sacrifice of our Patriarch Abraham," who by faith, when he was tried, offered Isaac; and he that received the promises, offered up his only begotten son. (Heb. xi. 17.) (To whom it was said, In Isaac shall thy seed be called.) Accounting that God is able to raise up even from the dead. Whereupon also he received him for a parable. "And that which his high priest Melchisedech offered to him a holy sacrifice and unspotted victim."

Here now the Christian beholds himself united in faith and sacrifice with the venerable sages of antiqui-

ty, for Abel knew that the redemption should be effected in blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no remission; (Heb. ix. 22,) therefore he took not of the fruits of the earth, but of the firstlings of his flock, and offered his sacrifice in the hope of future atonement, and only through the merits of Christ, the shedding of whose blood was figured therein, was it acceptable. Abraham who had learned invsteries in the land of vision, darted his eye through the shadowy vista of ages, Rejoicing that he might see the day of the Saviour: he saw it and was glad. (John viii. 56.) His paternal heart yearned within him, when after the holocaust, he embraced the living Isaac upon the mountain; Isaac, his dearly beloved, who carried upon his back, the wood upon which he was to be immolated, and yet lived after the oblation; and whilst the tear of gratitude and devotion swelled in the eye, or moistened the furrow of his aged cheek, the venerable father of the faithful could scarcely repress his feelings at beholding the figure of Christ immolated and living, sacrificed and not consumed. Melchisedech was king of Salem, priest of the most high God, who met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings, and blessed him, king of justice, and king of peace, without father, without mother, without genealogy; having neither beginning of days nor end of tife; but likened unto the Son of God continueth a priest forever, greater than Abraham. (Heb. vii. passim.) (If Melchisedech St. Paul had much to say, and hard to be intelligibly uttered, because they to whom he wrote had become weak to hear. (Heb. v. 4.) This Melchisedech offered sacrifice in bread and wine. Here then we have the atonement by blood, in Abel. the victim immolated and living in Isaac; and under the appearance of bread and wine in Melchisedech. all figures now fulfilled, under our eyes: this is the reason of having those three great patriarchs selected from the host of true adorers, who by faith have offered their oblations, and made their vows in spirit and in truth. Digitized by Google

Then bowing down before the altar, in the posture of humility, the celebrant prays that the "Almighty God would command these things to be carried by the hands of his holy angel to his altar on high, in the

sight of his divine majesty."

There are two explanations given of this prayer; one by Le Brun and a number of authors whom he cites, in which it is stated that the angel here mentioned is "the angel of the New Testament," "the messenger of glad tidings," Jesus Christ himself, and that the object of the prayer is by showing the earnestness of our desire we intreat of God in the phrase "command," to cause this angel to present not only his flesh and blood, but also our supplications before our eternal Father, that being now presented by him, they may become acceptable even upon the altar of "caven; for, as St. Augustine says, "The good and the wicked approach the altar which is on earth, but there is a sublime invisible altar whither the unjust man cannot come." (Psal. 25 and 42.)

The other explanation may be found in Bellarmine, Bossuet. &c. They state that we only seek the intercession of the angels, and that our prayers may be carried by them as those of Tobias were by the angel Raphael, to be presented before the Lord. This also appears to be the opinion of Innocent III., in his explanation of the Mass, and some of the old liturgies have the word angels in the plural; so that the meaning would appear to be, that as Bossuet remarks, it was an old and constant tradition of the church, as may be seen in Tertullian, and many of the fathers, that one or more angels presided in the meetings of the faithful; we now having the victim produced, which must be pleasing, beg also that the presiding angel or angels of the assembly, may, at the command of the most powerful God, bear our prayers to that invisible altar on high, to lay them in union with this victim before the throne of mercy, that we may find grace in seasonable aid.

This prayer is especially made for those who are to receive the holy sacrament of the eucharist, as must appear from its conclusion, "That as many as shall partake of the most sacred body and blood of thy Son at this altar, may be filled with every heavenly grace and blessing, through the same Christ

In repeating this part the celebrant kisses the altar, and not to bless, but to show the source of blessing, he makes the sign of the cross, once over the body. and once over the blood; and lastly to become a partaker of the merits of the death upon the cross, on himself.

Then closing his hands as when he prayed for the living, he now prays for the faithful departed, "Who are gone before us with the sign of faith," baptism, "and rest in the sleep of peace;" having received the sacraments of the church, and being in the full enjoyment of her communion, which is her peace-they but rest from their labours, sleeping for a time in the arms of death, to be roused from their slumber by the archangel's trumpet, to enter, as the church hopes,

into the enjoyment of glory.

They who have separated themselves from the church, by rejecting her doctrines, disclaiming her authority, ridiculing her observances, transgressing her precepts, breaking her unity, exciting strife, creating obstacles to the discharge of her ministerial duties. abstaining from her sacraments, sneering at her solicitude for their welfare and conversion, and scandalizing her children by the turpitude of their conduct. frequently desire to be consoled by her in death, and to be ranked amongst those pious children whose pride has been their adherence to the spouse of Christ. But they should reflect that if they have estranged themselves from her through life, it would be only justice that she should treat them as strangers in But no! She still extends to them the arms of charity, and if they desire sacraments, and declare

their dispositions to be those of repentant though prodigal children, she not only gives them the banquet of reconciliation, and flings over them the robe of grace, but moreover in the hope of serving them even after death, follows them with her prayers into the

regions of eternity.

She knows that the unrepenting criminal is lost forever; for him she has no hope-for him prayer, oblation, commemoration, are useless. His doom is irrevocable. She knows that they who die in the perfection of virtue, having been made partakers of the fulness of atonement, are happy in the Lord, they need not our prayer. But contemplating the conduct of the Lord towards repenting sinners, as manifested in various instances in the sacred volumes. she knows that a temporal punishment frequently remains due to the sinner, after the guilt of his crime has been remitted; thus Adam was sentenced to earn his bread in the sweat of his brow; Moses was excluded from the land of promise; David lost his child, and was afflicted in his family. She knows that frequently her children are summoned from life with part of this penalty unpaid, and that they endure a curgation therefor in the other world, until being no longer debtors to justice, they shall be made partakers of mercy, and having paid the last farthing, they shall enter into the joy of the Lord.

She knows the frailty and the imperfection of man, and that we are all transgressors, in many things. She knows the mercy of God to be equal to his justice, and therefore she knows, as she has learned from the apostles, that when taken unawares, with many of our minor transgressions unrepented for, we will not be condemned to eternal torments, but having suffered a temporary purgation, we shall be admitted by mercy to heaven, after justice shall have been

satisfied.

They who are in this state of purgation, are still members of the church, and may therefore be aided

by our prayers and sacrifices, and hence from the days of the apostles, commemoration was made for them in the Mass. The memento for the living was made before the consecration, that grace may be obtained by them to assist worthily thereat, but that for the dead was made after the production of the victim. which we offer on their behalf. The names of those to be specially prayed for, were found on the dyptics of the various churches. All the old liturgies mention the custom; especially those of St. Peter, St. James, and St. Mark, as does St. Clement, in his apostolic constitutions. "This tradition" of praying for the departed, " has come to us from our divine chiefs." Dion. lib. Eccles. Hierar. cap. 7, St. John Chrysostom says, * "It is not in vain that it has been regulated by the apostles, that in celebrating the venerable mysteries, mention should be made of the dead; they knew well that it would be highly serviceable to them." Tertullian says, † " we make the oblations for the dead on their anniversary day." St. Cyprian, in his 66th epistle, mentions that a man in his diocese, named Victor having died, leaving a priest named Faustinus the executor of his will, he having a considerable property, prevented Mass being offered for his soul, or the commemoration being made for him at the memento, stating as his justification a statute of a provincial synod in Africa, which forbad any person at his death to impose upon any clergyman such a duty as would draw off his attention from the discharge of his clerical office; and this under the penalty of not having prayers or oblations offered for the repose of his soul. St. Gregory of Nyssa informs ust that he offered the body and blood of Jesus Christ for the soul of his sister. St. Ambrosell offered Mass for the soul of his brother, and for that of the Empefor, Valentinian; he also consoles Faustinus upon

^{*} Homily 3 in Ep. ad Philip. † De corona. Milit. † Ora'. in Macria ux. || Deobitu frairis Satyr. \$ Confes. lib. 9. c. 13

the death of his sister, and exhorts him not to grieve in tears, but to have her soul commended to God, in the oblations, and in his liturgy we have the commemoration, as well as in that of St. John Crysos-St. Augustine mentions* the request of his mother, St. Monica, at the time of her death, to be remembered at the holy altar. In fact the documents are to be every where found, in support of the antiquity, universality, and apostolicity of the custom; whether we examine the records of councils, study the works of the fathers, look into the liturgies of the east or the west, of Egypt or of Thrace.

Formerly the names on the dyptics were read aloud; now the celebrant and the congregation only mentally recommend the individuals for whom they desire to pray, and then the request continues, "to these, O Lord, and to all that sleep in Christ," that is, who through his merits are to awake to glory, "grant we beseech thee, a place of refreshment," after the labours of their endurance under the infliction of justice, "light" instead of the darkness and uncertainty of even their temporary exclusion from heaven, and especially that light which from the throne of God, shines upon and envelopes the just, "and peace" in the speedy admittance to eternal joy "through the same Christ, our Lord. Amen."

Having now paid the tribute of charity to our departed brethren, it is but just that we should come back to a recollection of ourselves, and to recal us to this, the celebrant raises his voice at the nobis quoque peccatoribus, "Also, to us sinners," and with the humility of a true penitent, feeling the necessity of an amendment of heart, and sorrow for its aberrations, and imitating the publican, and those converted at the crucifixion, he strikes his breast, and proceeds to intreat "confiding in the multitude of God's mercies, some part and fellowship with" the saints whom he

^{*} Ep. ad. Faustin. de obit. sor.



names, and they are selected from all classes of persons, to teach us that salvation is within the reach John the Baptist, the precursor of Christ, the last of the prophets, Stephen, a deacon, the first Christian martyr, Matthias, an apostle, Barnabas, one of the disciples, Ignatius, a bishop, Alexander, a pope, Marcellinus, a priest, Peter, an exorcist, Felicitas, and Perpetua, matrons, Agatha, Lucy, Agnes, Cecelia, and Anastatia, virgins. This is the blessed "company into which he beseeches admittance" for him and for his people, "not of their own merit," for they are sinners, "but of God's own gratuitous pardon," . and this still besought and expected, "through Christ our Lord," "by whom, O Lord, thou dost always create, sanctify, quicken, bless and give us all these good things. By him, and with him, and in him, is to thee, God the Father Almighty, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory, for ever and ever. Amen."

This prayer is the concluding part of the canon properly so called, and preceded and accompanied what was called the small elevation, now the second elevation, and at one time indeed the only elevation of the sacrament. The celebrant looking upon the altar, and contemplating Jesus Christ hidden under the sacramental appearances, and reflecting also upon what had been originally placed upon that altar, bread and wine, those gifts which the Lord bestows upon us for our sustenance, is desirous of thanking the Giver of every good, for "all those good things," granted for the nourishment of our bodies and the food of our souls. He considers that all things were "created" by the "word of God:" for "All thing. were made by him : and without him was made nothing that was made." (John i. 3.) "By him" then was our bread and wine "created," by the eternal father. but after this creation, they were placed upon the altar and there "sanctified" by the word of God, and by prayer "quickened" by the change that took place

when the body and blood of the living Christ, who having risen from the dead, dieth now no more, (Rom. vi. 9.) was placed where they had been, and under their appearance "blessed" by the efficacy of that divine sacrament to communicate grace to our souls, and now "given" to those who prepare to receive the same.

We are then desirous of paying the homage of our praise and thanks to the great Author of our benefit, and we give to him "all honour and glory hy" that beloved Son who is our great mediator, and who reigns co-equal God "with him;" and being "in him," by his consubstantiality, forms but one nature with him and the other divine person of the blessed Trinity, "in the unity of the Holy Ghost for ever and ever, amen."

At the words "sanctify," "quicken," and "bless," the celebrant makes the sign of the cross over the victim, to signify from what source all these effects are derived: and uncovering the chalice, after having paid his adoration, he signs the cross with the host within the circumference of the chalice, at the words "by him and with him and in him," to signify the perfect union of the body and blood of Christ, though apparently separated: and at the words "Father Almighty," and "Holy Ghost," outside the chalice, to signify the separation of persons, but the unity of their act of blessing through the efficacy of the sacrifice of the cross: and then holding the host and chalice together he elevates them a little, at the words "all honour and glory," to signify that it is through Christ our victim we are able to pay our debt of gratitude and praise. Hence by many this is called the oblation of the victim which had been produced, and the small elevation. In many places it is customary to ring the bell on this occasion. The celebrant having paid his adoration after having covered the chalice rises, and concludes this prayer in a love vole to notify its close to the congregation; and he then

enters upon the next part, which is the preparation for and receiving the communion.

Optatus of Milevi informs us,* that in his time in the African churches it was usual after the canon and before the preparation for communion, for the Bishop or a priest to impose hands for the remission of sins upon those who sought reconciliation, and then turn to the altar to say the Lord's prayer. But this custom. whether it was that of administering the sacrament of penance, or of absolving publicly, before communion. those who had been guilty of public sins, was not general, and even in those places where it prevailed, seems not to have continued long, except on Maundy Thursday, when the public penitents were publicly reconciled. But the Lord's prayer was from the beginning said at this part of the office, as every liturgy shows; and St. Jerom statest that it was our blessed Lord himself who taught his apostles that the faithful should daily at the sacrifice of his body, presume to say Our Father. Hence the church shows the foundation on which she rests her authority for bringing her children thus familiarly to address their Creator: "Let us pray." "Being instructed by thy saving precepts, and following thy divine directions, we presume to say: Our Father," &c. (Matt. vi. 9.)

To enter into an explanation of this divine prayer in this place would for most of the readers of this dissertation be unnecessary, and would be straying from the great object of the compiler, which was merely to explain what could not otherwise be so easily discovered, and in doing which he has already gone far beyond the limits which he originally prescribed for himself: he shall only say with Tertullian, ‡ "That it is a compendium of the whole gospel; and with I ope innocent III.§ "For a variety of reasons this prayer excels all others, from the authority of him who taught it, for it came from the very mouth of the

^{*} Lib. 2, Contra. Parmen. †Lib. 3, Contra. Pelag. ‡De Oret. \$Myst. Miss. iii. 17.

Saviour; from the brevity of its expressions, for it is easily learned, and spoken; from the sufficiency of its petition, for it contains all that is necessary for this world and the next; from the richness of its mysteries, for it contains wonderful hidden treasures."

The celebrant says it in a loud voice or sings it, to impress the meaning and object of the petition upon his hearers, and at the end they answer him by repeating the last petition, "But deliver us from evil."

The deacon goes up to the right hand side of the celebrant, before the conclusion of this prayer, during which he has stood behind; and the sub-deacon now also carries up the Patten which he gives to the dea con. and then returns to his place below; the deacon having wiped the Patten, places it in the right hand of the celebrant, who continues in a low voice the next prayer, after having answered "amen" to the

Lord's prayer.

He desires to be delivered from all evils, entering fully into the spirit of the divine prayer which has been just concluded, "past" evils, which are the consequence of the sins we have committed, bad habits, disturbed imaginations, and evil propensities, "present" evils, temporal calamities and temptations under which we labour; and "future" evils, which we trust may be averted by the power of the most high. We are taught to seek farther protection, and to specify more particularly what we most desire; and we implore those blessings through the intercession of the blessed and ever-glorious virgin, "Mary mother of God." This phrase, "Mother of God," shows clearly that either the entire of this prayer must have been formed subsequently to the year 432, or at least this expression added after that year. We find the prayer in many old liturgies, but in none so far back as the year 500; and not being in the canon, it was not so brought into review and under observation as that portion was until about the year 600. It was only after the condemnation of Nestorius at the

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council of Ephesus in 431, that the faithful were in the habit of styling the blessed virgin " Mother of God;" but Nestorius having denied her being the "Mother of God," though he acknowledged her to be the mother of Jesus Christ, in consequence of his heresy in asserting the double personality of the Saviour: to evince their adherence to the ancient doctrine, and the condemnation of his error, thenceforth they addressed the blessed virgin, saying "Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us," &c. The prayer continues, and through the intercesssion " of the holy apostles, Peter and Paul, and of Andrew, and of all the Saints." The special mention of those three apostles is almost distinct evidence of this prayer having been originally drawn up in the city of Rome, for we have St. Peter who founded the church in that city, St. Paul who aided him during many years in its administration, and who there suffered martyrdom with St. Peter; and St. Andrew, the brother of Peter. who on that account was specially honoured in that city, so much so, that his festival was kept with almost equal solemnity, and on the festival of St. Andrew, it was marked in one of the most ancient copies of the Ordo, that the Pope should commence the office at the church of St. Andrew, and conclude it at that of his brother Peter. However some very old copies of this prayer have been found with the names of other Saints after that of Andrew.

The great object of the prayer was, "peace, that we may always be free from sin and secure from all disturbance," which are both concomitants of war. The celebrant in repeating this prayer signed himself with the Patten which he held in his hand, and kissed it as the emblem of peace and charity; for upon it that oblation had been made, which exhibited the union and peace of the congregation; and now it was to be placed under the holy sacrament, whence we expect that peace which the world cannot give. The prayer concluded in the usual way; "Through

Christ our Lord, who with thee in the unity of the Hely Ghost, liveth and reigneth God, world without end—Amen."

In repeating the last words of this prayer, the celebrant performs a ceremony which has subsisted from the time of the institution by our Saviour. He breaks the sacrament over the chalice; formerly it was over the Patten, but it was about 1100 years ago regulated to break it over the chalice, that any particles separating therefrom might be received into sacred vessel; and in putting a small particle into the chalice the celebrant as usual concludes the prayer in a loud voice, "for ever and ever-Amen." And then as he puts the particle into the chalice, he thrice makes the sign of the cross therewith, wishing the congregation-" May the peace of the Lord always be with you:" to which the usual answer was given, "and with thy spirit." Formerly upon this being said the kiss of peace was given through the congregation, in token of unity and charity, by the men to the men, and by the women to the women, who for this purpose sat at different sides of the Mention is made of this by Tertullian and other very ancient writers.

The mixing of the host with the contents of the chalice, is very ancient, indeed so much so, that we can find no trace of its introduction; but we find it always customary—and on many occasions. First, bishops living at a distance, frequently sent each to the other, in token of communion, a consecrated host, by a priest or deacon, and the person to whom it was sent put it into his chalice, and took it therefrom at the next Mass that he celebrated. Secondly, it was customary in many churches, to keep a portion of what had been consecrated at one mass to be consumed in the chalice at the next, to shew that the same. Thirdly, what had been reserved for the sick was generally consumed in this manner. Fourthly, it

was the custom in many churches where communion was given, under both kinds, to mix them in the chalice, and to give the communion therefrom; and fifthly, there was from the commencement a powerful mystic reason for the practice. The death of Christ had been shewn by the mystic separation of the body and blood, his reanimation and resurrection were to be shewn by their mystic union, which took place in "Thus," writes Pope Innocent III. this manner. "the chalice represents the monument, whence the deacon, who is the angel of the church removes the pall, as the heavenly messenger removed the stone from the mouth of the sepulchre"-and here Christ having died for our sins, and offered himself for our iniquities, is now re-animated, and gives us that celestial food where the flesh which was dead, now vivified by the spirit, is profitable to those who prove and try themselves.

It was on the day of his resurrection that Christ first addressed his apostles, in those memorable words, "Peace be to you," and celebrating that resurrection, the celebrant prays that this peace may remain always with them, being derived from the blessed trinity through the cross of the Saviour.

He now prepares for communion, and first bowing, he thrice in a penitent manner, strikes his breast, calling upon "the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world, to have mercy on him,"—b it on the third occasion to "grant him peace"—that peace which the world cannot give—and then bowing down before the altar, he prays for peace and unity for the whole church.

In masses for the dead, we offer for those in purgatory, and hence instead of saying "have mercy on us"—" grant us peace,"—the celebrant says "grant them rest"—" grant them eternal rest;" and the prayer for the peace of the church is omitted, but the celebrant proceeds to read the two other prayers before communion, and then receives the holy sacrament

In high Masses, after this prayer for peace, the deacon, who during its repetition has been on his knees at the celebrant's right hand, rises, and they both kiss the altar, the celebrant, as it were to receive the spirit of peace from Jesus Christ, the deacon through respect, and after embracing each other the celebrant kisses the deacon, saying, "Peace be with thee." The deacon answers, "and with thy spirit;" and having made his reverence to the altar, gives the peace in like manner to the sub-deacon in his place below, and they then come up to assist at the altar, the celebrant continuing his prayers for communion, which are so plain as to need no exposition.

In putting the particle into the chalice the celebrant says "May this mixture and consecration of the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, be to us that receive it, eternal life." The meaning of the word "consecration," in this place has always been understood to be the putting of two holy things together; not a blessing or separation for religious

purposes-consecrare, quasi simul sacrare.

The Agnus Dei, &c., "Lamb of God, &c.," was ordered to be sung at the Mass, by Pope Sergius I., who came to the chair in 687. But the custom of saving it must have prevailed in many places previously to this, because we find very clear allusions thereto in works and liturgies of a much earlier St. John Chrysostom who lived 300 years before Sergius has this passage: "It is not in vain that we make commemoration for the dead at the sacred inysteries, or that we approach the divine Lamb, who is there, and who takes away the sins of the world, to be seech his mercy for them." And the first general council of Nice in the year 325, calls upon us " by faith to conceive and to know that on that holy table is placed that Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world, and who is immolated in an unbloody manner by the priests." In the Mass of St. Severus,

Patriarch of Alexandria, the words prescribed for the priest when he breaks the Sacrament, are, "Thou art the Lamb of God who takest away or blottest out the sins of the world." In fact, the number of figures was so great, and the expressions upon which its introduction must have been founded, are so strong, that it is next to impossible that the prayer should not have been one of the first formed in the Church, and it appears in one of the ancient liturgies of St. Peter.

It was probably a lamb that Abel sacrificed; it was a male lamb that Abraham substituted for Isaac; it was a lamb that was sacrificed in Egypt, and it was instead of the Paschal lamb that the Eucharist was established: a lamb was the morning and evening sacrifice of the Jews; and these were all figures of that Lamb, for whose arrival Isaias prayed. Send forth, O Lord, the Lamb, the ruler of the earth, from Petra of the desert, to the mount of the daughter of Sion, (Isaias xvi. 1,) and of whom John the Baptist said Behold the Lamb of God—behold him who taketh away the sins of the world, (John i. 29,) and frequent mention is made of the I amb in the Apocalypse.

The prayer for peace is found in some very old copies of the Sacramentaries, &c. The prayers for communion were various, and in a great measure left to the discretion of the celebrant, but those two now inserted and ordered, are two of the most ancient forms that are known. After those prayers the celebrant pays again the tribute of his adoration, and rising, takes the host and says, "I will take the heavenly bread and call upon the name of the Lord," then striking his breast, he says thrice, " Lord I am not worthy that thou shouldst enter under my roof, say but the word, and my soul shall be healed." This is a most ancient custom which is mentioned by Tertullian, by Origen, and many other early writers, and is founded upon the expressions of the centurion in the Gospel.

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The celebrant then communicates himself saying the appropriate prayers which are found in the order, and aftefwards has wine poured into the chalice, with which he thoroughly clears it of any particles of the Sacrament which might remain therein, and afterwards has wine and water poured upon those fingers with which he has touched the Sacrament, and after cleansing them perfectly, he drinks this ablution also from the Chalice, which is then wiped, and dried.

If communion were to be given, it was usually done after the celebrant had communicated himself, and then the choir sung some Psalms, as it is recorded in the Gospel that after they had sung an hymn when the Apostles were first fed with this divine banquet, they went out, and such was the custom of the Jews after partaking of the Paschal Lamb, they sang the 113th Psalm, when Israel went out from Egypt. The Psalm usually performed on this occasion in the early days of Christianity was the 33d. I will bless the Lord at all times, the 9th verse. O, taste and see that the Lord is sweet, &c., was sometimes chosen as the Antiphon. Other Psalms were sometimes taken, and then only part of a Psalm, and at present but one or two verses, which is called the communion, though at present the communion is frequently given after Mass, and not at this time.

The book was removed to the side where it originally was, as being its usual place; or for the mystic reason, to shew that the Jewish Church would in the latter days come over to Christ after the fulness of the Gentiles should have been received. (Rom. xi. 19.) The celebrant reads the communion at the book, and then going to the middle of the altar, gives the people the usual salutation, and then at the book invites them to join in prayer. Oremus. "Let us prayer corresponds with the collect, and secret, and is generally a thanksgiving for communion, and has

its name from having been read after the communion. Besides the Post-communion, there is sometimes read at the same place, a prayer headed Super populum, "over the people," and before which a notice was given by the deacon, Humiliate capita vestra Deo, "Bow down your heads to God." Upon which they bowed towards the East, and the prayer was then said; this was only on days of penance or humiliation, particularly when no person but the celebrant communicated, and when therefore they who did not receive the holy communion could not so well join in the Post-communion. The celebrant again saluted the people, and except on days of penance or in Masses for the dead, the deacon turned round and gave notice of departure by saying or singing Ite Missa est, "Go, the Mass is over." In Easter week he added two alleluias, and the choir answered, Deo gratias. "Thanks be to God." The people, however, did not generally depart before they received the blessing, previously to giving which, the celebrant bowing down before the altar repeated the prayer. Placeat. "Let the performance of my homage," &c. After which he gave his blessing, praying that the "Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, may bless them." On days of penance, instead of *Ile* Missa est, the deacon turns to the altar, not to the people, and says or sings Benedicamus Domino, "Let us bless the Lord," as an invitation to them to continue in prayer; and in Masses for the Dead, Requiescant in pace, "May they rest in peace." In those latter Masses, no blessing is given, because the principal object of the Mass is the relief of the faithful departed, and not so much the advantages of the assistants, for whose benefit this last blessing was introduced, in the very earliest ages in the Greek Church, and subsequently in the Latin Church.

The celebrant then repeats the Gospel of St. John, which contains the most subline testimony of the

Divinity and Incarnation of our blessed Lord, and at the passage, and the word was made flesh, and dwelt amongst us, he and the congregation bend their knees to honour the divine mystery. This has been introduced at the request of pious persons who have in various places at different times besought it, and is in general practice, now upwards of 800 or 900 years. In place of this Gospel sometimes another is said This occurs when a festival is celebrated on a Sun day, or on a day in Lent, or Quarter-tense, which has a proper Gospel of its own, and which Gospel is then read instead of that of St. John.

In some places it is usual for the celebrant after reciting the last Gospel to repeat together with the assistants the 129th Psalm. From the depths, &c., for

the faithful departed.

In the foregoing explanation, the origin and meaning of the various ceremonies and observances, and vestments and prayers of the liturgy of the Mass are laid before the reader in such a manner as it is hoped exhibits the action to be a pious and rational and edifying observance, derived from the earliest antiquity, and founded upon divine authority. When therefore the Chistian attends thereat, he should endeavour to go back in spirit to Jerusalem and Calvary, and contemplating the institutions of Christ, and his sufferings, so to conduct himself as to obtain abundant benedictions, which must always be derived from the merits of that victim who offers himself in this sacrifice on our behalf.

The compiler has laboured under many disadvantages, from the situation in which he has been placed, occupied in visiting his diocess, and without books to which he might refer, during a considerable portion of the time in which this dissertation has been hastily thrown together. It has not been compiled at one time but with many interruptions. For its literary faults he must be excused. He is under the impression that its doctrine is perfectly correct,

but if in any thing he have deviated from the form of sound words held by the holy Roman Catholic and Apostolic Church, he is anxious immediately to correct it.

INTRODUCTION.

CONTAINING A SUMMARY OF THE RUBRICS.

I. The Mass consists of several portions, some of which are always the same, and some of which vary on several occasions.

II. That part which does not vary is called "the ordinary of the mass," and may be found in its proper place, after the office of holy Saturday, that is the Saturday next

before Easter Sunday.

III. That part which varies, consists of the Introit, Collects, Epistle, with its accompaniments, Gospel, Offertory, Secrets, Preface, Communion and Post Communion, and they may be found in their proper place as described below.

1. The prefaces are all found together between that part of the Ordinary of the Mass which immediately precedes the Secrets, and the Canon, and each preface has

its proper title, by which it may be easily known.

IV. The Church celebrates her offices either according to the time of the year, or for the festival of some Saint;

or for some particular occasion.

V. The year begins with the first Sunday of Advent, atter Advent is the festival of Christmas, on the eighth day after which is the Circumcision, next is the Epiphany, after which the Sundays are numbered, first, second, &c., to Septuagesima Sunday; then the Sundays of Sexagesima, and Quinquagesima, the Wednesday next after which is Ash Wednesday the first day in Lent, in which there are proper masses for every day; the fifth Sunday of Lent, is called Passion Sunday, the next Palm Sunday

the week of which is called the greater week; this is followed by Easter Sunday and the Easter week; the next Sunday is called Low Sunday, which is the first after Easter. Between Easter and the Ascension are five Sundays, which after Low Sunday are numbered the second, third, &c., after Easter. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesafter the fifth of these are called Rogation days. Thursday is the feast of the Ascension; ten days after which is Pentecost or Whit Sunday, with its week; the next Sunday is Trinity Sunday, which is of course the first after Pentecost; the Thursday following, which is the festival of the most holy Eucharist, commonly called Corpus Christi. From this the Sundays are numbered, Second, third, &c., after Pentecost to advent, which commences the next year.

VI. The festivals of the saints begin with the vigil or eve of St. Andrew the Apostle, which is the 29th of November, and proceed regularly through the days of the month, until the round of the entire year is made, unto the

28th of the same month.

VII. The offices for particular occasions are celebrated, for the dedication of a church, for choosing a Pope, on the anniversary of the bishop's consecration, for the dead, &c.

VIII. On every day in the year, except Good Friday,

Mass can be celebrated.

IX. The particular portions of the liturgy are to be found by knowing what office is celebrated on that particular day.

X. Sometimes the festival of a saint occurs on the same day when some office according to the time of the year

should be celebrated.

XI. To regulate this, the offices of the time and of the

festivals have been classified.

XII. The classes are doubles of the 1st and of the 2d class: greater doubles, plain doubles, semi-doubles, and simples; and their precedence when they concur, is regulated by the class to which each belongs.

XIII. The Mass is generally celebrated of that which

holds the highest rank.

XIV. The Missal is regulated according to the order of

paragraphs, V. VI. and VII. II. and III.

The variable parts of the Masses according to the time of the year, from Advent to Easter are found placed first; then the ordinary of the Mass, with the prefaces, as marked in clause I.; then the variable parts of the Mass, from Easter to Advent. Also: this the variable parts of

the Mass on the several festivals of the saints, which have proper variable parts, in their order from the vigil of St. Andrew, uninterruptedly throughout the year, with the exception of those days from the 25th of December to the 1st of January, which variable parts for festivals are found in their proper places between Christmas and Epiphany, in the part of the Mass of the time; then the proper Masses for particular occasions, are placed after the common of saints.

XV. The variable parts of the Mass for the festivals of

the saints, are either proper or common.

XVI. The proper for saints, is that variable part which has been specially compiled, and appointed for the particular Masses, on the festivals of those individuals, and is said only on their special festivals, and is always found under the day of the month when that feast is celebrated.

XVII. The common of saints, is that variable part which is said on the different festivals of various saints of the

same description, or class.

XVIII. The saints whose festivals are celebrated, are divided into classes, according to their various situations, or works or sufferings. Apostles, martyrs, confessors who were bishops, confessors who were not bishops, vir-

gins. holy women, &c.

XIX. After the proper Masses of the saints, and before the Masses for particular occasions are placed the variable parts of Masses for the common of saints, under the following several heads for their proper classes, viz.: 1. For the vigil of an apostle. 2. Of a martyr bishop, another of the same. 3. Of a martyr not bishop, another of the same. 4. Of martyrs within the Paschal time. 5. Of many martyrs in the Paschal time. 6. Of many martyrs without the Paschal time, two others of the same. 7. Of a confessor bishop, another of the same. 8. Of doctors. 9. Of a confessor bishop, another of the same. 10. Of abouts. 11. Of virgins martyrs, another of the same. 12. Of many virgins martyrs. 13. Of a virgin only, another of the same. 14. Of holy women, not virgins but martyrs. 15. Of a holy woman, neither martyr nor virgin.

XX. After the Masses for particular occasions are several Collects, Secrets and Post-communions, for special purposes, which will be known by looking to their titles.

2. When the office is known, if it be of the time, lock for it in its proper place, according to the time of the year as in paragraph V. and you will find its variable parts.—

these, together with the Ordinary of the Mass, will give

you the entire liturgy of the Mass of the day.

3. If the Mass be of a saint, look for the day of the month in its place, according to paragraph VI.; if there be a proper Mass, you will find there its variable parts; if there be not a proper Mass, you will find a reference to the Mass in the Common of saints, as in paragraph XIX. where those variable parts will be had.—Look for that common Mass, and by combining its variable parts with the ordinary, the liturgy will be found.

4. Sometimes part of the variable portion is taken from the proper, as in the day of the month, and from the common as described in paragraph XIX.; then the three parts must be combined by reading all that is found in the proper under the day of the month, and the remainder of the variable part from the common Mass, and combining

them with the ordinary of the Mass.

5. Sometimes a Commemoration is made; that is, the Collect, Secret and Post-communion of one festival, of a lesser denomination, are said after those of the Mass of the day,—they are to be found as you would look for the variable part of the Mass of the festival to which they belong, under the day of the month if they be proper, or, if not, in the common Mass to which that place refers. If the Commemoration be of a Sunday, or any other day, the Mass of which is found in that part regulated according to the time, the Collect, Secret or Postcommunion, will be found in the proper place according to time.

6. When a final Mass is to be celebrated, which happens on a day which has no proper Mass assigned therefore, either by the day of the month or by the proper of time, the Mass of the preceding Sunday is said, without

the Gloria in excelsis or the Creed.

XXI. The moveable feasts are all those comprehended in the enumeration of paragraph V. with the exception of Christmas, the Circumcision and Epiphany. They are called moveable, because they are not on fixed day, of the month, but move from day to day, as does the festival of Easter, on which they depend, and which is regulated by the phases of the moon; being celebrated on the first Sunday which follows the fourteenth day after the first new moon immediately after the vernal equinox.

7. A Table of those moveable feasts, for a number of years is given to assist the person using this Missal.

XXII. There are six Sundays marked after Epiphany before Septuagesima Sunday, sometimes Easter happening very early, only three or four of those Sundays intervene,—the others are then omitted, and the office of

Septuagesima taken up on its proper day.

XXIII. There are twenty-four Sundays marked between Pentecost and Advent; when Easter is early, Pentecost is early of course, and a greater number of Sundays than twenty-four intervene before Advent. The office is regulated by taking up the Masses, &c. of the Sandays omitted after Epiphany that year, after the 23d Sunday following Pentecost. and celebrating them in their succession, leaving however the Mass of the 24th Sunday after Pentecost to be invariably celebrated on the Sunday next before the first Sunday of Advent.

XXIV. The first Sunday of Advent is always that which is nearest to the feast of St. Andrew the apostle, viz.: that which happens on or between the 27th of November and the 3d of December,—which is the reason for commencing the festivals of the saints, with the Vigil of St. Andrew, that as the Missal begins with the first Sunday of Advent, which commences the ecclesiastical year, both its parts, of the Time, and of the Saints, might cor-

respond.

But in the Calendar the enumeration of festivals begins with the 1st of January, for the convenience of the reader.

INTRODUCTION.

Ill the Scriptural parts which in the Original Latin are taken from the Vulgate, have, in this Edition been faithfully compared with, and made literally conformable to the received and approved Version of the Holy Scriptures, as revised and edited by the Right Rev. and Ven Dr. Richard Challoner, of learned and pious memory.

THE Prayers and portions of Holy Scripture, of which the Mass, or Liturgy of the Catholic Church, is composed, are in part unalterably the same, and partly different every day: those that are fixed and invariable, are contained in what is called the Ordinary of the Mass, from pages xv. to xlviii. inclusively; and the changeable or proper parts, (viz. the Introits, Collects, Epistles and Lessons, Graduals and Tracts, Gospels, Offertories, Secrets, Communions and Postcommunions) form the subsequent contents of the book. But as the Prefaces are not so frequently subject to change, they follow each other in regular succession in the Ordinary.

The Ecclesiastical Year, with respect to the Sundays and Moveable Feasts, commences with the FIRST SUNDAY of ADVENT, and closes on the LAST SUNDAY after PENTECOST; and with regard to the Festivals of the Saints, from the Feast of St. Andrew, the 30th of November, to the Eve of the same Festival the year follow-

ıng, inclusively.

In order therefore to find out the PROPER MASS of the day, look for that day of the month in the Calendar, opposite to which may be seen a reference to the page wherein it is contained; and if a Double should fall on a Sunday, then the Mass of the Double is said instead of the Mass of the Sunday, except it be a Sunday of the FIRST CLASS, viz. the first Sunday of ADVENT or LENT, PASSION, PALM, EASTER, WHIT, and TRINITY SUNDAYS: and the Sundays of the SECOND CLASS, which cannot be superseded, except by Doubles of the FIRST CLASS, are the ii. iii. and iv. of ADVENT, SETUAGESIMA, SEXIGESIMA, and QUINQUAGESIMA, as also the ii. iii. and v. of LENT. It must however be remarked that the

Gospels for Sundays thus superseded by Doubles are never omitted, but always recited (instead of St. John's Gospel) at the end of Mass; and also that a Commemoration of the Sunday, by its proper Collect, Secret, and Postcommunion, is always made immediately after the Collect, &c. of the Festival.

But as it sometimes happens that a Double is transferred to a future vacant day, on account of the Octave of some festival of higher rank intervening, then the difficulty of finding out such transferred festival, may be easily removed by consulting the Laity's Directory, published as a guide to the morning, as well as the evening

service of the church.

As references are frequently made to the Common of Saints, commencing at p. 459, to the Proper of Saints, beginning with p. 521, and continuing in regular progression to the end of the Ecclesiastical Year; the reader will find the Masses thus referred to, designated by numerical letters, from No. I. to XXI. inclusively: Be it therefore observed, that on whatever day of the month these numerical references appear in the Calendar, or General Index, it denotes that the Mass thereof (having no proper parts assigned to it) is taken entirely from the Common Mass referred to: but should any exceptions occur, they are stated in a parenthesis.

Commemorations are made by the addition of a Col-LECT, SECRET and POSTCOMMUNION, to those that are proper to the feast of the day. When therefore the word COLLECT, with an &c. annexed thereto, appears in the Rubrics, the &c. denotes that its proper Secret and

Postcommunion are also comprehended.

ABBREVIATIONS EXPLAINED.

ap. Apostle, m. Martyr, mm. Martyrs, p. Pope, abp. Archbishop, bp. Bishop, pr. Priest, c. Confessor, D. Doctor, ab. Abbot, v. Virgin, w. Widow, B. Blessed, d. Double, sd. Semidouble, d. I. d. Double of the first class. d. II. d. Double of the second class. gr. d. Greater Double. The Holy-days of obligation are in CAPITALS, and the days of particular devotion in Italics

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1846	Feb. 8	Feb. 25	April 12	May 31	25	Nov. 29
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1848	Feb. 20	March 8	April 23	June 11	24	Dec. 3
1849	Feb. 4	Feb. 21	April 8	May 27	26	Dec. 2
1850	Jan. 27	Feb. 13	March 31	May 19	27	Dec. 1
1851	Feb. 16	March 5	April 20	June 8	24	Nov. 30
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1853	Jan. 23	Feb. 9	March 27	May 15	27	Nov. 27
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1858	Jan. 31	Feb. 17	April 4	May 23	26	Nov. 28
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1867		March 6	April 21	June 9		Dec. 1
1868		Feb. 26	April 12	May 31		Nov. 29
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1871	Feb. 5	Feb. 22	April 9	May 28		Dec. 3
1872		Feb. 14	March 31	May 19		Dec. 1
1873		Feb. 26	April 13	June 1		Nov. 30
1874		Feb. 18	April 5			Nov. 29
1875		Feb. 10	March 28			Nov. 28
1876			April 16			Dec. 3
1877	Jan. 28	Feb. 14	April 1	May 20	27	Dec. 2
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ANTHEMS AT SPRINKLING THE HOLY WATER.

Before Solemn Mass on the Sundays, from Trinity to Palin-Sunday, inclusively, the following Anthem

is sung:

Ant. A Sperges me Domine hyssopo, et mundabor: lavabis me, et super nivem dealbabor.

Ps. Miserere mei, Deus, secundum magnam misericordiam tuam.

V. Gloria Patri, &c.

Ant. Asperges me, &c.

Anth. THOU shalt sprinkle me, with hyssop, O Lord, and I shall be cleansed: thou shalt wash me, and I shall be made whiter than snow.

Ps. Have mercy on me, O God, according to thy great mercy.

V. Glory be to the

Father, &c.

Anth. Thou wilt sprinkle me, &c.

The Priest, being returned to the Foot of the Altar, says,

V. Ostende nobis, Domine, misericordiam tuam.

R. Et salutare tuum da nobis.

V. Domine, exaudi orationem meam.

orationem meam.

R. Et clamor meus ad

te veniat. V. Dominus vobis-

cum

R. Et cum spiritu tuo.

V. Show us, O Lord, thy mercy.

R. And grant us thy salvation.

V. O Lord, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto thee.

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

For the Prayer, Exaudi, see the next Page.

From EASTER to WHIT-SUNDAY, inclusively, instead of the foregoing, the following ANTHEM is sung, and Alleluias are added to the V. Ostende nobis, and its R. Et salutare, &c.

ANTHEM.

• VIDI aquam egredientem de templo a latere dextro, Alleluia: et omnes ad quos pervenit aqua ista, salvi facti sunt et dicent, Allel.

Ps. Confitemini Domino, quoniam bonus: quoniam in sæculum misericordia ejus. Gloria.

I Saw water flowing from the right side of the temple, Alleluia, and all to whom that water came, were saved, and they shall say, Allel.

Ps. Praise the Lord, because he is good: because his mercy endureth for ever. Glory, &c.

The Prayer, Exaudi.

HEAR us, O holy Lord, Almighty Father, eternal God! and vouchsafe to send thy holy angel from heaven, to guard, cherish, protect, visit, and defend all that are assembled in this place: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Preparatory Prayer before Mass.

PROSTRATE in spirit at the foot of thy holy altar, I adore thee, O Almighty God! and firmly believe that the Mass, at which I am going to assist, is the sacrifice of the body and blood of thy Son, Christ Jesus. O! grant that I may assist thereat with the attention, respect, and awe due to such august mysteries: and that by the merits of the Victim there offered for me, I myself may become an agreeable sacrifice to thee, who livest and reignest with the same Son and Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

THE ORDINARY

OF THE MASS.

The Priest at the Foot of the Altar, beginning, south,

TN Nomine Patris, Let I Filii, et Spiritus Sancti. Amen.

Ant. Introibo ad altare Dei.

R. Ad Deum, qui lætificat juventutem meam.

R. To God, who re-

Psalm xlii.

TUDICA me Deus, et discerne causam meam de gente non sancta: ab homine iniquo et doloso erue me.

R. Quia tu es Deus, fortitudo mea, quare me repulisti? et quare tristis incedo, dum affligit me inimicus?

P. Emitte lucem tuam, et veritatem tuam: ipsa me deduxerunt, et adin Montem duxerunt sanctum tuum, et in Tabernacula tua.

R. Et introibo ad altare Dei: ad Deum qui

TN the Name of the ■ Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Anth. I will go unto the Altar of God.

joiceth my youth.

TUDGE me O God, and distinguish my cause from the nation that is not holy: deliver me from the unjust and deceitful man.

R. For thou art God my strength, why hast thou cast me off? and why do I go sorrowful whilst the enemy afflicteth me?

P. Send forth thy light and thy truth: they have conducted me, and brought me unto the holy Hill, and into thy Tabernacles.

R. And I will go unto the Altar of God: to lætificat juventutem me-

P. Confitebor tibi in cithara Deus Deus meus: quare tristis es, anima mea, et quare conturbas me?

R. Spera in Deo, quoniam adhuc confitebor illi: salutare vultus mei, et Deus meus.

P. Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto.

- R. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.
- P. Introibo ad altare Dei.
- R. Ad Deum qui lætificat juventutem meam.
- P. Adjutorium nostrum in nomine Domini.
- R. Qui fecit cœlum et terram.
- P. Confiteor Deo omnipotenti, &c.
- R. Misereatur tui omnipotens Deus, et dimissis peccatis tuis, perducat te ad vitam æternam.

P. Amen.

R. Confiteor Deo omnipotenti, beatæ Mariæ semper Virgini, beato Michaeli Archangelo, beato, Joanni Baptistæ, sanctis Apostolis Petro God who giveth joy to my youth.

P. To thee, O God, my God I will give praise upon the harp: why art thou sad, O my soul; and why dost thou disquiet me?

R. Hope in God, for I will still give praise to him, the salvation of my countenance and my God.

P. Glory be to the Fa-

ther, and to, &c.

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

P. I will go unto the

altar of God.

R. To God who rejoiceth my youth.

P. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

R. Who made heaven and earth.

P. I confess to Almighty God, &c.

R. May Almighty God be merciful to thee, and forgiving thee thy sins, bring thee to everlasting life. P. Amen.

R. I confess to Al mighty God, to blessed Mary, ever a Vir gin, to blessed Michael the Archangel, to blessed John Baptist, to the holy

ot Paulo, omnibus sanctis, et tibi Pater, quia peccavi nimis cogitatione, verbo et opere, mea culpa, mea culpa, mea maxima culpa. Ideo precor beatam Mariam semper Virginem, beatum Michaelem Archangelum, beatum Joannem Baptistam, sanctos Apostolos Petrum Paulum, omnes sanctos, et te Pater, orare pro me ad Dominum Deum nostrum.

P. Misereatur vestri omnipotens Deus, et dimissis peccatis vestris, perducat vos ad vitam æternam. R. Amen.

P. Indulgentiam, absolutionem, et remissionem peccatorum nostrorum, tribuat nobis onmipotens et misericors Dominus. R. Amen.

P. Deus tu conversus vivificabis nos.

R. Et plebs tua lætabitur in te.

P. Ostende nobis, Domine, misericordiam tuam.

R. Et salutare tuum da nobis.

Apostles Peter and Paul. to all the saints, and to you, Father, that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word and deed, through my fault, through my fault, through my grievous Therefore I beseech the Blessed Mary, ever a virgin, Blessed Michael the Archangel, Blessed John Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, and all the saints, and you, O Father, to pray to the Lord our God for me.

P. May Almighty God be merciful unto you, and, forgiving you your sins, bring you to life everlasting. R. Amen.

P. May the Almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon, absolution, and remission of our sins. R. Amen.

P. Thou, O God, being turned towards us, wilt enliven us.

R. And thy people will rejoice in thee.

P. Show us, O Lord, thy mercy.

R. And grant us thy salvation.

P. Domine, exaudi orationem meam.

R. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

P. Dominus vobiscum.

R. Et cum spiritu tuo.

P. O Lord hear my prayer. Ř. And let my cry

come unto thee.

The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit

Take away from us

our iniquities, we be-

seech thee, O Lord, that we may be worthy to en-

ter with pure minds into the Holy of holies. Thro'.

The Priest going up to the Altar, says,

Aufer a nobis quæsumus Domine, iniquitates nostras: ut ad Sancta Sanctorum, puris mereamur mentibus introire. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Amen. When come up to the Altar, bowing down, he says,

Oramus te Domine merita sanctorum tuorum, quorum quiæ hic sunt, et omnium sanctorum: ut indulgere digneris omnia peccata mea. Amen.

We beseech thee O Lord by the merits of thy saints, whose relics are here, and of all the saints: that thou wouldst vouchsafe to forgive me all my sins. Amen.

Here, at solemn Masses, the Priest, (after having blessed the incense with the following words: Mayest thou be bles-sed by Him, in whose honour thou shalt be burnt, and fumed the altar in the form of a Cross), turns to the book, and reads the INTROIT; which, being every day different, must be sought for in its proper place. After which, Kyrie eleison and Christe eleison are alternately sung in the choir.

P. Kyrie eleison, R. Kyrie eleison, P. Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy upon us.

R. Christe eleison, P. Christe eleison, R. Christe eleison. Christ, have mercy upon us.

P. Kyrie eleison, R. Kyrie eleison, P. Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy upon us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS.

¬LORIA in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax hominibus bonæ vo-Laudamus te: luntatis. benedicimus te; adoramus te; glorificamus te. Gratias agimus tibi propgloriam magnam tuam, Domine Deus. Rex cœlestis, Deus Pater omnipotens. Domine Fili unigenite Jesu Christe. Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis. Quoniam tu solus sanc-Tu solus Dominus. Tu solus altissimus, Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu, in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

GLORY be to God on high, and on earth, peace to men of good will. We praise thee; we bless thee; we adore thee; we glorify thee. We give thee thanks for thv great glory, O Lord God. heavenly King, God the Almighty. Father Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son. Lord God, Lamb God, Son of the Father, who takest away the sins of the world have mercy on us. Who takest away the sins of the world receive our prayers. Who sittest at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For thou only art holv. Thou only art the Lord. Thou only. O Christ, together with the H. Ghost, art most high in the glor of God the Father. Amen.

Turning towards the people, the Priest salutes them, saying,

P. Dominus vobiscum.

P. The Lord be with you.

R. Et cum spiritu tuo.

R. And with thy spirit.

(F After the COLLECT (which may be found in its proper place) the following is the second Collect from Candlemas day to Passion Sunday, and from the III. Sunday after Pentecost till Advent, except on Doubles or within Octaves; the third is at the choice of the Priest, and may be found amongst the Occasional Prayers, page

II. COLLECT. A cunctis. Preserve us, O Lord, we beseech thee, from all dangers of body and soul: and by the intercession of glorious and blessed Mary, the ever Virgin Mother of God, of the blessed apostles Peter and Paul, of blessed N. and of all the saints, grant us, in thy mercy, health, and peace that all adversities and errors being removed, thy Church may serve thee with a pure and undisturbed devotion. Through.

From Low Sunday inclusively till the Ascension, instead of the foregoing, is said the COLLECT, Concede; with its corresponding Secret and P. Com. as in the Votive Mass, Salve, of the B. V. M. page 507.

After the Collect or Collects, the EFISTLE is read.

At the end whereof the Assistants answer Deo gratias; then follows the GRADUAL or the TRACT, either of which may be seen in their proper places.

The Prayer, Munda cor meum, before the Gospel.

CLEANSE my heart and my lips, O Almighty God, who didst cleanse the lips of the prophet Isaiah with a burning coal: and vouchsafe, through thy gracious mercy, so to purify me, that I may worthily attend to thy holy Gospel. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

May the Lord be in my heart, and on my lips, that I may worthily, and in a becoming manner attend to his holy Gospel. Amen.

- P. Dominus vobis-
 - R. Et cum spiritu tuo.
- P. Sequentia (vel initium) sancti Evangelii secundum, &c.

R. Gloria tibi Domi-

ne.

P. The Lord be with

R. And with thy spirit.
P. The continuation (or the beginning) of the holy Gospel according to, &c.

R. Glory be to thee,

O Lord.

The Gospel may be seen in its proper place.

At the end of the Gospel, the Assistants answer,

R. Laus tibi, Christe.

R. Praise be to thee,

Then they say with the Priest, in a low voice,
May our sins be blotted out by the words of the
Gospel.

The NICENE CREED.

CREDO in unum Deum Patrem omnipotentem, factorem cœli et terræ, visibilium omnium et invisibilium.

Domiin unum Jesum Christum. Filium Dei unigenitum, et ex Patre natum ante omnia sæcula. Deum de Deo: Lumen de Lumine; Deum verum de Deo vero; genitum non factum; consubstantialem Patri, per quem omnia facta sunt. propter nos homines, et propter nostram salutem descendit de cœlis. Et incarnatus est de Spiritu Sancto, ex Maria VirI Believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, and born of the Father before all ages. God of God; Light of Light; true God of true God; begotten not made; consubstantial to the Father, by whom all things were made. Who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and became incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin

gine: ET HOMO FAC-TUS EST*. Crucifixus etianı nobis sub pro Pontio Pilato, passus et sepultus est. Et resurrexit tertia die secundum Scripturas. Et ascendit in cœlum, sedet ad dexteram Patris. Et iterum venturus est cum gloria judicare vivos et mortuos; cujus regni non erit finis.

Et in Spiritum Sanctum, Dominum et vivificantem, qui ex Patre Filioque procedit: qui cum Patre et Filio simul adoratur, et conglorificatur; qui locutus est per prophetas. Et unam sanctam Catholicam et Apostolicam Ecclesiam. Confiteor unum Baptisma in remissionem peccatorum. Et expecto resurrectionem mortuorum, et vitam venturi sæculi. Amen.

- P. Dominus vobis
 - ım. R. Et cum spiritu tuo.
- * At these words the assistants kneel down to adore God for the ineffable mystery of the incarnation.

Mary: AND WAS MADE MAN.* He was crucified also for us, suffered under Pontius Pilate, and was And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures. And ascended into heaven, sitteth at the right hand of the And he is to Father. come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, of whose kingdom there shall be no end.

And in the Ghost, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who, together with the Father and the Son, is adored glorified; spoke by the prophets. And one holy Catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the remission of sins. And I expect the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

Oremus.

Let us pray.

Here follows the OFFERTORY, which may be seen in its proper place.

OBLATION of the Host.

Suscipe, sancte Pater, omnipotens æterne Deus, hanc immaculatam Hostiam, quam ego indignus famulus tuus offero tibi Deo meo vivo et vero. pro innumerabilibus pecoffensionibus catis. negligentiis meis, et pro circuinstantiomnibus bus; sed et pro omnibus fidelibus Christianis, vivis atque defunctis; ut mihi et illis proficiat ad salutem in vitam æter-Amen. nam.

When the Priest puts the Wine and Water into the Chalice, he says,

Deus qui humanæ substantiæ «dignitatem mirabiliter condidisti, et mirabilius reformasti; da nobis per hujus Aquæ et Vini Mysterium, ejus divinitatis esse consortes, qui humanitatis nostræ fieri dignatus est particeps, Jesus Christus Filius tuus Dominus noster: qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spritus sancti Deus; per omnia sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

Accept, O holy Father, almighty and eternal God, this unspotted Host, which I thy unworthy servant offer unto thee, my living and true God, for my innumerable sins, offences, and negligences, and for all here present; as also for all faithful Christians, both living and dead; that it may avail both me and them unto life everlasting. Amen.

O God, who, in creating human nature, hast wonderfully dignified it. and still more wonderfully reformed it: grant that by the mystery of this Water and Wine, we may be made partakers of his divine nature, who vouchsafed to become partaker of our human nature, namely, Jesus Christ our Lord thy Son, who with thee, in the unity of, &c. Amen.

OBLATION of the CHALICE.

Offerimus tibi, Domine, calicem, salutaris, tuam deprecantes clementiam: ut in conspectu divinæ Majestatis tuæ, pro nostra et totius mundi salute cum odore suavitatis ascendat. Amen.

We offer unto thee, O Lord, the chalice of salvation, beseeching thy clemency: that it may ascend before thy divine Majesty, as a sweet odour, for our salvation, and for that of the whole world. Amen.

When the Priest bows before the Altar, he says,

In spiritu humilitatis, et in animo contrito suscipiamur a te, Domine: et sic fiat sacrificium nostrum in conspectu tuo hodie, ut placeat tibi, Domine Deus.

Accept us, O Lord, in the spirit of humility, and contrition of heart: and grant that the sacrifice we offer this day in thy sight, may be pleasing to thee, O Lord God.

When he blesses the Bread and Wine, he says,

Veni, sanctificator, omnipotens æterne Deus, et benedic hoc sacrificium tuo sancto nomini præparatum. Come, O almighty and eternal God, the sanctifier, and bless this sacrifice, prepared for the glory of thy holy hame.

Here, in solemn Masses, he blesses the Incense, saying,

Per intercessionem beati Michaelis archangeli stantis a dexteris Altaris Incensi, et omnium electorum suorum, incensum istud dignetur Dominus benedicere, et in odorem suavitatis accipere. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

May the Lord, by the intercession of blessed Michael the archangel, standing at the right hand of the Altar of Incense, and of all his elect, vouchsafe to bless this incense, and receive it as an odour of sweetness. Through, Amen.

At incensing the Bread and Wine, he says,

Incensum istud a te benedictum, ascendat ad te Domine, et descendat super nos misericordia tua.

At incensing the Altar, he says, Ps. cxl.

Dirigatur, Domine. oratio mea, sicut incensum, in conspectu tuo: elevatio manuum mearum sacrificium vesper-Pone tinum. Domine custodiam ori meo, et ostium circumstantiæ labiis meis: ut non declinet cor meum in verba malitiæ, ad excusandas excusationes in peccatis.

May this Incense which thou hast blest, O Lord ascend to thee, and may thy mercy descend upon us.

Let my prayer Lord, be directed as incense in thy sight: the lifting up of my hands, as evening sacrifice. Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth: and a door of prudence around my lips; that my heart incline not to evil words to make excuses in sins.

On giving the Censer to the Deacon, he says,

May the Lord enkindle within us the fire of his love, and the flame of everlasting charity.

Washing his Hands, he says, Ps. xxv. 6.

Lavabo inter innocentes manus meas: et circumdabo altare tuum, Domine.

Ut audiam vocem laudis: et enarrem universa mirabilia tua.

Domine dilexi deco-`rem domus tuæ, et locum habitationis gloriæ tuæ.

Ne perdas cum impiis animam meam; et cum

I will wash my hands among the innocent: and will compass thy altar, O Lord.

That I may hear the voice of thy praise: and tell all thy wondrous works.

I have loved O Lord. the beauty of thy house, and the place where thy glory dwelleth.

Take not away my soul, with the wicked; viris sanguinum vitam meam.

In quorum manibus iniquitates sunt: dextera eorum repleta est muneribus.

Ego autem in innocentia mea ingressus sum: redime me, et miserere mei.

Pes meus stetit in directo: in ecclesiis benedicam te Domine.

Gloria Patri, et Filio, &c.

Bowing before the middle of the Altar, he says,

Suscipe sancta Trinihanc oblationem. quam tibi offerimus ob memoriam Passionis, Resurrectionis, et Ascensionis Jesu Christi Domini nostri: et in honorem beatæ Mariæ semper Virginis, et beati Joannis Baptistæ, et sanctorum Apostolorum Petri Pauli, et istorum, et omnium Sanctorum: ut illis honorem, proficiat ad nobis autem ad salutem: et illi pro nobis intercedere dignentur in cœlis, quorum memoriam agimus in terris. Per eumdem. &c. Amen.

nor my life with bloody

In whose hands are iniquities: their right-hand is filled with gifts.

But I have walked in my innocence: redeem me and have mercy on me.

My foot hath stood in the direct way: in the churches I will bless thee, O Lord.

Glory be to the Father &c.

Receive O holy Trinity, this oblation which we make to thee in memory of the Passion, Re surrection, and Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. and in honour of the blessed Mary ever virgin, of blessed John Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, and of all the Saints: that it may be available to their honour, and our salvaand may they vouchsafe to intercede : for us in heaven, whose memory we celebrate on earth. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Then turning himself towards the People, he says.

Orate Fratres: ut meum ac vestrum sacrificium acceptabile fiat apud Deum patrem omnipo-

tentem.

R. Suscipiat Dominus sacrificium de manibus tuis ad laudem et gloriam nominis sui, ad utilitatem quoque nostram, totiusque Ecclesiæ suæ sanctæ.

Brethren, pray that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

R. May the Lord receive the sacrifice from thy hands, to the praise and glory of his name to our benefit, and to that of all his holy Church.

After reading the SECRET, which may be seen in its proper place, the second Secret from Candlemasday, till Passion-Sunday and from the III. Sunday after Pentecost until Advent, (except on Doubles and within Octaves) is the following.

II. SECRET.—Graciously hear us, O God our Saviour; that by virtue of this sacrament, thou mayest defend us from all enemies, of both soul and body: grant us grace in this life, and glory in the next.

From Low-Sunday, exclusively, till the Ascension, instead of the foregoing is said the SECRET. * May, O Lord, &c, as in the Votive Mass, SALVE, of the B. V. M. p. 508.

P. World without end. P. Per omnia sæcula. seculorum, R. Amen. R. Amen.

The Preface.

P. Dominus vobiscum. R. Et cum spiritu tuo. P. Sursum corda. Habemus ad Dominum. P. Gratias agamus Domino Deo nostro. R. Dignum et justum est.

P. The Lord be with you. R. And with thy spirit. P. Lift up your R. We have lifted them up to the Lord. P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. R. It is meet and just.

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The Preface on Festivals and other Days that have none proper, and in Masses for the Dead.

N. B. This mark* refers to the subsequent part of the proper Prefaces.

T/ERE dignum et justum est, æquum et salutare, nos tibi semper. et ubique gratias agere: Domine sancte, Pater omnipotens, æterne Deus. * Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Per quem majestatem tuam laudant angeli, adorant dominationes, tremunt potestates; Cœli cœlorumque virtutes, ac beata seraphim, socia exultatione concelebrant. Cum quibus et nostras voces, ut admitti jubeas deprecamur, supplici confessione dicentes:

. Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt cœli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis. Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini, Hosanna in excelsis.

On TRINITY-SUNDAY, and every other Sunday in the Year that has no proper Preface.

*Qui cum unigenito Fiho tuo et Spiritu Sancto unus es Deus, unus es IT is truly meet and just, right and available to salvation, that we should always, and in all places, give thanks to thee, O holy Lord, Father Almighty, eternal God. * Thro' Christ our Lord: by whom the angels praise thy majesty, the dominations adore it, the powers tremble before it, the heavens, the virtues, and heavenly blessed seraphin, with common jubilee glorify it. Together with whom we beseech thee, that we may be admitted to join our humble voices, saying:

Holy, holy, lioly, Lord God of Sabaoth. Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.

* Who together with thy only begotten Son and the Holy Ghost, art Dominus: non in unius singularitate Personæ. sed in unius Trinitate Quod enim substantiæ. de tua gloria, revelante te credimus, hoc de Filio tuo, hoc de Spiritu Saucto, sine differentia discretionis sentimus. Ut in confessione veræ, sempiternæque Deitatis, et in Personis proprietas, et in essentia Unitas, et in Majestate adoretur æqualitas Quam laudant angeli atque archangeli, cherubim quoque ac seraphim: qui non cessant quotidie, una clamare voce dicentes, Sanctus, &c.

one God, and one Lord not in a singularity of one Person, but in a Trinity of one substance. what we believe of thy glory, as thou hast revealed, the same we believe of thy Son, and of the Holy Ghost, without any difference or distinction. So that in the confession of the true and eternal Dei ty, we adore a distinction in the Persons, an unity in the essence and an equality in the Majesty. Whom the angels and archangels, the cherubim also and seraphim praise: and cease not daily to cry out with one voice saying, Holy, &c.

From CHRISTMAS-DAY till the Epiphany; on Corpus Christi; and on our Lord's Transfiguration.

- N. B. Prefaces thus marked † are concluded in the same manner as this.
- * Quia per incarnati Verbi mysterium, nova mentis nostræ oculis lux tuæ claritatis infusit: ut dum visibiliter Deum cognoscimus per hunc in invisibilium amorem rapiamur. † Et ideo cum angelis et archangelis, cum thronis et dominationibus; cumque

* Since by the mystery of the Word made flesh, a new ray of thy glory has appeared to the eyes of our souls: that while we behold God visibly, we may be carried by him to the love of things invisible. † And therefore with the angels and archangels, with the

militia cœlestis exercitus, hymnum gloriæ tuæ canimus, sine fine dicentes. Sanctus. Sanctus, &c.

On the Epiphany and during its Octave.

* Quia cum unigenitus tuus in substantia nostræ mortalitatis apparuit, nova nos immortalitatis suæ luce reparavit. † Et ideo, &c.

* Because when thy only begotten Son appeared in the substance of our mortal flesh, he repaired us by the new light of his immortality. + And therefore, &c.

thrones and dominations:

and with all the heavenly

host, we sing an everlast ing hymn to thy glory,

saying, Holy, &c.

In LENT till Passion-Sunday.

* Qui corporali jejunio vitia comprimis, mentem elevas, virtutem largiris et præmia. * Per Christum, &c.

*Who by this bodily fast extinguishest vices, elevatest our understanding, bestowest on us virtue and its reward. * Thro' &c.

On Passion and Palm Sundays,

* Qui salutem humanı generis in ligno Crucis constituisti: unde ut mors oriebatur, inde vita resurgeret: et qui in ligno vincebat, in ligno quoque vinceretur. * Per

Christum. &c.

Maundy-Thursday, and Feasts of the Holy Cross. * Who hast appointed that the salvation of mankind should be wrought on the wood of the cross: that from whence death came, thence life might arise, and that he who overcame by the tree, might also by the tree be overcome. *Thro', &c.

From HOLY SATURDAY till the Ascension.

IT is truly meet and just, right and avail-Ere dignum et justum est, æquum et

salutare, te quidem Domine omni tempore, sed { in hoc potissimum nocte vel die, vel } in hoc gloriosius prædicare, cum Pascha nostrum immolatus est Christus. Ipse enim verus est Agnus, qui abstulit peccata mundi. Qui mortem nostram moriendo destruxit, et vitam resurgendo reparavit. † Et ideo, &c.

From Ascension-Day till Whitsun-Eve.

resurrection

divine nature.

therefore, &c.

* Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Qui post resurrectionem suam omnibus discipulis suis manifestus apparuit, et ipsis cernentibus est elevatus in cælum, ut nos divinitatis suæ tribueret esse participes. † Et ideo, &c.

From Whitsun-Eve till Trinity-Sunday; and in Votive Masses of the Holy Ghost.

*Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Qui ascendens super omnes cœlos, sedensque ad dexteram tuam, promissum Spiritum sanctum [hodierna die] in filios adoptionis effudit. Quapropter profusis gaudiis totus in orbe terrarum mundus exultat. Sed et supernæ virutes atque angelicæ po

able to salvation, to praise thee, O Lord, at all times, but chiefly on this [night or day, or, at this time] when Christ our Passover was sacrificed for us. For he is the true Lamb who hath taken away the sins of the world. Who by dying has destroyed our death, and by rising again has restored us to life. † And

* Through Christ our

openly to all his disciples, and in their presence as-

cended into heaven, to

make us partakers of bis

Who after his

appeared

*Through Christ our Lord. Who ascending above all the heavens, and sitting at thy right hand, didst send down the promised holy Spirit [this day] upon the children of adoption. Wherefore the whole world displays its excess of joy. The heavenly virtues also and all the angelic powtestates, hymnum gloriæ tuæ concinunt, sine fine dicentes, Sanctus, &c. ers, sing in concert an everlasting hymn to thy glory, saying, Holy, &c.

On Festivals of the B. V. Mary (the Purification excepted.)

* Et te in N.‡ Beatæ Mariæ semper Virginis colaudare, benedicere, et prædicare. Quæ et unigenitum tuum Sancti Spiritus obumbratione concepit: et Virginitatis gloria permanente, lumen æternum mundo effudit, Jesum Christum Dominum nostrum. * Per quen, &c. *That we should praise, bless, and glorify thee on the N.‡ of the blessed Mary, ever a Virgin. Who by the overshadowing of the Holy Ghost conceived thy only begotten Son: and the glory of her virginity still remaining, brought forth the eternal light of the world, Jesus Christ our Lord. *By whom, &c.

On the FESTIVALS of the APOSTLES.

VERE dignum et justum est, æquum et salutare, te Domine suppliciter exorare, ut gregem tuum Pastor æterne non deseras, sed per beatos apostolos tuos continua protectione custodias. Ut iisdem rectoribus gubernetur, quos operis tui vicarios eidem contulisti præesse pastores. *Et ideo, &c.

IT is truly meet and just, right and available to salvation, humbly to beseech thee that thou O Lord, our eternal Shepherd wouldst not forsake thy flock, but keep it under thy continual protection by thy blessed apostles. That it may be governed by those whom thou hast appointed its vicars and pastors. * And, &c.

t Here the Name of her several Festivals, as they occur in the course of the Year, should be expressed.

THE CANON OF THE MASS.

TE igitur, clementissi-me Pater, per Jesum Christum Filium tuum Dominum nostrum, supplices rogamus ac petimus, uti accepta habeas, et benedicas, hæc dona, hæc munera, hæc sancta sacrificia. illibata. imprimis quæ tibi offerimus pro Ecclesia tua sancta catholica: quam pacificare, custodire, nare, et regere digneris toto orbe terrarum: una cum famulo tuo Papa nostro N. et Antistite nostro N.

et omnibus Orthodoxis, atque Catholicæ et Apostolicae Fidei Cultoribus.

COMMEMORATION

Memento Domine famulorum famularumque tuarum N. et N.

He prays silently for those he intends to pray for.

Et omnium circumstantium, quorum tibi fides cognita est, et nota devotio, pro quibus tibi offerimus: vel qui tibi offerunt hoc sacrificium laudis, pro se, suisque amnibus: pro redemp-

E therefore, humbly pray and beseech thee most merciful Father, thro' Jesus Christ thy Son, our Lord, that thou wouldst vouchsafe to accept and bless these gifts, these presents, these holy unspotted sacrifices, which in the first place we offer thee for thy holy Catholic Church, to which vouchsafe to grant peace; as also to preserve, unite, and govern it throughout the world: together with thy servant N. our pope N. our Bishop,

as also all ortnodox believers and professors of the catholic and apostolic

Faith.

OF THE LIVING.

Be mindful O Lord of thy servants, men and women, N. and N.

And of all here present whose Faith and Devotion is known unto thee, for whom we offer. or who offer up to thee this sacrifice of praise for themselves, their families, and friends: for the tione animarum suarum, pro spe salutis et incolumitatis suæ: tibique reddunt vota sua æterno Deo, vivo et vero.

COMMUNICANTES, memoriam venerantes, inprimis gloriosæ semper Virginis Mariæ, Genitricis Dei et Domini nostri Jesu Christi : sed et beatorum Apostolorum ac Martyrum tuorum, Petri et Pauli, Andreæ Jacobi, Joannis, Thomæ, Jacobi, Philippi, Bartholomæi, Matthæi, Simouis et Thadæi: Lini, Cleti, Clementis, Xysti, Cornelii, Cypriani, Laurentii, Chrysogoni, Joannis et Pauli, Cosmæ et Damiani, et omnium Sanctorum tuorum: quorum meritis precibusque concedas, ut in omnibus protectionis tuæ muniamur auxilio. Per eumdem Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Spreading his Hands over the Oblation he says,

Hanc igitur oblationem servitutis nostræ, sed et cunctæ familiæ tuæ, quæsumus Domine, ut plaoatus accipias: redemption of their souls, for the health and salvation they hope for, and for which they now pay their vows to thee, the eternal, living, and true God.

COMMUNICATING With. and honouring in the first place, the memory of the ever glorious Virgin Mary, Mother of our Lord and God Jesus Christ: as also of the blessed Apostles and Martyrs, Peter and Paul, Andrew, James, John, Thomas, James, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Thadeus. Simon and Linus, Cletus, Clement, Xystus, Cornelius, Cyprian, Lawrence, Chrysogonus, John and Paul. Cosmas and Damian, and of all thy Saints; whose merits and prayers grant that we may be always defended by the. help of thy protection Thro' the same Chris our Lord. Amen.

We therefore beseed thee, O Lord, gracious ly to accept this oblation of our servitude as also of thy whole fa

diesque nostros in tua pace disponas, atque ab eterna damnatione nos eripi, et in Electorum tuorum jubeas grege numerari. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. — Amen.

Quam oblationem tu Deus in omnibus, quæsumus benedictam, adscriptam, ratam, rationabilem, acceptabilemque facere digneris; ut nobis Corpus et Sanguis fat dilectissimi Filii tui Domini nostri Jesu Christi.

Qui pridie quam pateretur, accepit panem in sanctas ac venerabiles manus suas, et elevatis oculis in cœlum, ad te Deum Patrem suum omnipotentem: tibi gratias agens, benedixit, fregit, deditque discipulis suis dicens: Accipite et manducate ex hoc omnes, Hoc est enim corpus meum.

After pronouncing the Words of Consecration, the Priest kneeling, adores and elevates the sacred Host.

Simili modo postquam cœnatum est, accipiens et hunc præclarum calicem n sanctas ac venerabiles mily; dispose our days in thy peace, preserve us from eternal damnation, and rank us in the number of thine Elect. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Which oblation do thou, O God, vouchsafe in all respects, to bless, approve, ratify, and accept; that it may be made for us the body and blood of thy most beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Who the day before he suffered, took bread into his holy and venerable hands, and with his eyes lifted up towards heaven, giving thanks to thee, Almighty God, his Father; he blessed it, brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat ye all of this, For this is my body.

In like manner, after he had supped, taking also this excellent chalice into his holy and venemanus suas, item tibi gratias agens benedixit,. deditque discipulis dicens: ACCIPITE BIBITE EO HIC EST ENIM CALIX SANGUINIS MEI NOVI ET ÆTERNI TESTAMEN-MYSTERIUM FIDET: OUI PRO VOBIS ET MULTIS EFFUNDETUR IN REMISSIONEM PECCATO-BUM.

Hæc quotiescumque feceritis, in mei memorian facietis.

Here also kneeling, he

Unde et memores, Domine, nos servi tui, sed et plebs tua sancta eiusdem Christi Filii tui. Domini nostri, tam beatæ passionis, necnon et ab inferis, Resurrectionis, sed et in Cœlos gloriosæ ascensionis, offerimus præclaræ Majestati tuæ, de tuis donis ac datis, Hospuram, Hostiam sanctam, Hostiam immaculatam, panem sanctum vitæ æternæ, et Calicem salutis perpetuæ.

Supra quæ propitio ac sereno vultu respicere rable hands, giving thee also thanks, he blessed, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and depict to his disciples, saying: Take and depict the thing that is the chalice of my blood of the new and eternal testament: the mys tery of faith: which shall be shed for you, and for many, to the remission of sins.

As often as you do these things, ye shall do them in remembrance of me.

he adores and elevates the Chalice.

Wherefore, O Lord, we thy servants, as also thy holy people, calling to mind the blessed passion of the same Christ thy Son our Lord, his resurrection from the dead, and admirable ascension into heaven, offer unto thy most excellent Majesty of thy gifts bestowed upon us, a pure Host, a holy Host, an unspotted Host, the holy bread of eternal life, and chalice of everlasting salva ion.

Upon which vouchsafe to look, with a prodigneris, et accepta habere, sicuti accepta habere dignatus es munera pueri tui justi Abel, et sacrificium Patriarchæ nostri Abrahæ; et quod tibi obtulit summus sacerdos tuus Melchisedech, sanctum sacrificium, immaculatam Hostiam.

Supplices te rogamus, omnipotens Deus, jube hæc præferri per manus sancti angeli tui in sublime altare tuum, in conspectu divinæ Majestatis tuæ, ut quotquot ex hac altaris participatione, sacro-sanctum Filii corpus et sanguinem sumpserimus, omni benedictione cælesti et gratia repleamur. Per eumdem Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

COMMEMORATION OF THE DEAD.

Memento etiam, Domine, famulorum famularunque tuarum N. et N. qui nos præcesserunt cum signo Fidei, et dormiunt in somno pacis.

Here particular mention is silently made of such of

peace.

Ipsis, Domine, et om-

To these, O Lord, and nibus in Christo quies- to all that sleep in Christ

pitious and serene countenance, and to accept them, as thou wert graciously pleased to accept the gifts of thy just ser-vant Abel, and the sacrifice of our Patriarch Abraham, and which thy High Priest Melchisedech offered to a holy sacrifice and unspotted victim.

We most humbly beseech thee, Almighty command God. these things to be carried by the hands of thy holy angels to thy altar on high, in the sight of thy divine Majesty, that as many as shall partake of the most sacred body and blood of thy Son at this altar, may be filled with every heavenly grace and blessing. Thro' the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Be mindful, O Lord,

of thy servants N. and

N. who are gone before us with the sign of Faith,

and rest in the sleep of

the Dead as are to be prayed for.

centibus, locum refrigerii, lucis et pacis, ut indulgeas deprecamur: per eumdem Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen. grant, we beseech thee, a place of refreshment, light, and peace: through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Here striking his Breast, the Priest says,

Nobis quoque peccatoribus famulis tuis de multitudine miserationum tuarum sperantibus, partem aliquam et societatem donare digneris, cum tuis sanctis apostolis et martyribus; cum Joanne, Stephano, Matthia, Barnaba, Ignatio, Alexandro, Marcellino, Petro, Felicitate, Perpetua, Agatha, Lucia, Agnete, Cæcilia, Anastasia et omnibus sanctis tuis: intra quorum nos consortium, non æstimator meriti, sed veniæ, quæsumus largitor admitte. Per Christum Dominum nostrum.

Per quem hæc omnia, Domine, semper bona ereas, sanctificas, vivificas, benedicis, et præstas nobis. Per ipsum, et cum ipso, et in ipso, est tibi Deo Patri omnipotenti, in unitate Spiritus Sancti, omnis honor et gloria.

Also to us sinners, thy servants, confiding in the multitude of thy mercies. vouchsafe to grant some part and fellowship with thy holy apostles and martyrs; with John, Stephen, Matthias, Barnabas, Ignatius, Alexander, Marcelline, Peter, Felicitas, Perpetua, Agatha, Lucy, Agnes, Cecily, Anastasia, and with all thy saints: into whose company we beseech thee to admit us, not in consideration of our merit, but of thy own gratuitous pardon. Through Christ our Lord.

By whom, O Lord, thou dost always create, sanctify, quicken, bless, and give us all these good things. By him and with him, and in him, is to thee, God the Father Almighty, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honour and glory

P. Per omnia sæcula sæculorum. R. Amen.

Oremus.

Præceptis salutaribus moniti, et divina institutione formati, audemus dicere:

Pater noster, qui es in cœlis, sanctificetur noadveniat men tuum: regnum tuum: fiat voluntas tua sicut in cœlo, et in terra: panem nostrum quotidianum da nobis hodie; et dimitte nobis debita nostra, sicut et nos dimittimus debitoribus nostris: et ne nos inducas in tentationem: R. Sed libera nos a malo. P. Amen.

Libera nos, quæsumus, Domine. ab omnibus malis, præteritis, præsentibus et futuris; et intercedente beata et gloriosa semper Virgine Dei Genitrice Maria, cum beatis apostolis tuis Petro et Paulo, atque Andrea, et omnibus sanctis, da propitius pacem in diebus nostris: ut ope misericordise tuse adjuti, et a peccato simus semper liberi, et ab omni perturbatione sec.ri. Per P. For ever and ever. R. Amen.

Let us pray.

Being instructed by thy saving precepts, and following thy divine directions, we presume

to say:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name: thy kingdom come: thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven: give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation: R. But deliver us from evil. P. Amen.

Deliver us, we beseech thee, O Lord, from all evils, past, present, and to come; and by the intercession of the blessed and ever glorious Virgin Mary Mother of God. and of the holy apostles Peter and Paul, and of Andrew, and of all the saints, mercifully grant peace in our days: that thro' the assistance of thy mercy, we may be always free from sin, and secure from all disturb-D 2

eundem Dominum nostrum Jesum Christum Filium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat, in unitate Spiritus Sancti, Deus.

P. Per omnia sæcula sæculorum. R. Amen.

P. Pax Domini sit semper vobiscum.

R. Et cum spiritu tuo.

ance. Through the same Jesus Christ, thy Son our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, God.

P. World without end.

R. Amen.

P. May the peace of the Lord be always with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

Breaking the Host, he puts a Particle thereof into the Chalice saying, May this mixture, and consecration of the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, be to us that receive it effectual to eternal life. Amen.

Then boroing and striking his Breast, he says:

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,

miserere nobis,

* miserere nobis,

* dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, * have mercy upon us, * have mercy upon us, * give us peace.

In Masses for the DEAD he says twice, Give them rest; and lastly, * Give them eternal rest.

The following Prayer is then also omitted.

Domine Jesu Christe, qui dixisti apostolis tuis, pacem relinquo vobis, pacem meam do vobis, ne respicias peccata mea, sed fidem Ecclesiæ tuæ; eamque secundum voluntatem tuam pacificare et coadunare digne-

Lord Jesus Christ, who saidst to thy apostles, I leave you peace, I give you my peace, regard not my sins, but the faith of thy church; and grant her that peace and unity which is agreeable to thy will: who livest

ris qui vivis et regnas Deus, per omnia sæcula sæculorum. *Amen*.

Domine Jesu Christe. Fili Dei vivi, qui ex voluntate Patris, co-operante Spiritu Sancto, per mortem tuum mundum vivificasti, libera me per hoc sacro-sanctum corpus et sanguinem tuum ab omnibus iniquitatibus meis, et universis malis: et fac me tuis, semper inhærere mandatis, et a te nunquam separari permittas: qui cum eodem Deo Patre et Spiritu Sancto vivis et regnas Deus in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

Perceptio corporis tui, Domine Jesu Christe, quod ego indignus sumere præsumo, non mihi proveniat in judicium ct condemnationem; sed pro tua pietate prosit ad tutamentum mentis et corporis, et ad medelam percipiendam: qui vivis et regnas cum Deo Patre, in unitate Spiritus Sancti, Deus, per omnia sæcula sæculo-Amen. rum.

and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, who, according to the will of thy Father, hast by thy death, thro' the co-operation of the Holy Ghost, given life to the world, deliver me by this thy most sacred body and blood from all my iniquities, and from evils; and make me always adhere to thy commandments, and never suffer me to be separated from thee: who livest and reignest with God the Father, &c. Amen.

Let not the participation of thy body, O Lord Jesus Christ, which I, though unworthy, presume to receive, turn to my judgment and condemnation, but thro' thy mercy, may it be a safeguard and remedy, both to soul and body; who with God the Father, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest God for ever and ever. Amen.

Taking the Host in his Hands, he says,

Panem coelestera ac- I will take the bread of

cipiam, et nomen Domini invocabo. heaven, and call upon the name of our Lord.

Striking his Breast, with Humility and Devotion, he says thrice,

Domine, non sum dignus ut intres sub tectum meum; sed tantum dic verbo, et sanabitur anima mea. Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst enter under my roof; say but the word, and my soul shall be healed.

Receiving reverently both Parts of the Host, he says,

Corpus Domini nostri Jesu Christi custodiat animam meam in vitam seternam. Amen.

May the body of our

Lord Jesus Christ preserve my soul to life everlasting. Amen.

Taking the Chalice, he says,

Quid retribuam Domino pro omnibus que retribuit mihi? Calicem salutaris accipiam, et nomen Domini invocabo. Laudans invocabo Dominum, et ab inimicis meis salvus ero. What return shall I make the Lord for all he has given to me? I will take the Chalice of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord. Praising, I will call upon the Lord, and shall be saved from my enemies

Receiving the blood of our Saviour, he says,

Sanguis Domini nostri Jesu Christi custodiat animam meam in vitam æternam. Amen. The blood of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve my soul to everlasting life. Amen.

Taking the first Ablution, he says,

Quod ore sumpsimus, Domine, pura mente capiamus, et de munere temporali, fiat nobis reGrant, Lord, that whave have taken with our mouth, we may receive with a pure mind, that

medium sempiternum.

of a temporal gift it may become to us an eternal remedy.

Taking the second Ablution, he says,

Corpus tuum Domine, quod sumpsi, et sanguis quem potavi, adhereat visceribus meis; et præsta ut in me non remaneat scelerum macula, quem pura et sancta refecerunt sacramenta. Qui vivis et regnas in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

May thy body, O Lord, which 1 have received, and thy blood which 1 have drank, cleave to my bowels; and grant, that no stain of sin may remain in me, who have been fed with this pure and holy sacrament. Who livest and reignest, &c.

Then he returns to the Book, and reads the COMMU-NION, which may be seen in its proper place.

Dominus vobiscum.
R. Et cum spiritu tuo.
Oremus.

The Lord be with you. R. And with thy spirit. Let us pray.

From Candlemas-day till Passion Sunday, and from the III. Sunday after Pentecost until Advent, (except on Doubles and within Octaves) after the proper Postcommunion, the following is the

II. POSTCOM. (Mundet.) May the oblation of this divine sacrament, we beseech thee, O Lord, both cleanse and defend us; and by the intercession of the blessed Mary the Virgin Mother of God, of the blessed apostles Peter and Paul, of blessed N. and of all the saints, free us from all sin, and deliver us from all adversity.

From Low Sunday, exclusively, till the Ascension, instead of the foregoing, is said the P. Comm. * Sumptis, &c. as in the Votive Mass SALVE for the B. V. M. p. 509.

After the Postcommunion, is added the following

PRAYER. (Et famulos.)

EFEND also, O Lord, from all adversity, thy servant N. our Pope, N. our Bishop,

together with the people committed to his care: grant peace in our days, and banish all wickedness from thy Church: thro', &c.

Dominus vobiscum. R. Et cum spiritu tuo. Ite missa est (vel) Be-

nedicamus Domino.

R. Deo gratias.

The Lord be with you. R. And with thy spirit. Go, you are dismissed. (or) let us bless the Lord. R. Thanks be to God.

P. May they rest in

In Masses for the Dead.

P. Requiescant in pace. R. Amen.

peace. R. Amen. Bowing before the Altar, the Priest says

tibi Placeat sancta Trinitas, obscquium servitutis meæ; et præsta, sacrificium quod oculis tuæ Majestatis indignus obtuli, tibi sit acceptabile, mihique, et omnibus pro quibus illud obtuli, sit te miserante, propitiabile. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Let the performance of my homage be pleasing to thee, O holy Trinity; and grant that the sacrifice which I, tho' unworthy, have offered up in the sight of thy Majesty, may be acceptable thee, and thro' thy mercy be a propitiation for me. and all those for whom it has been offered. Thro'

Turning himself towards the People, he gives them his Blessing, saying,

May Almighty God, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, bless you. Amen.

P. Dominus vobiscum. R. Et cum spiritu tuo. P. Initium sancti Evange-

P. Our Lord be with you. R. And with thy spirit. P. The beginning lii, secundum Joannem. R. Gloria tibi, Domine.

IN principio erat Verbum, et Verbum erat apud Deum: et Deus erat Verbum: hoc erat in principio apud Deum. Omnia per ipsum facta sunt, et sine ipso factum est nihil, quod factum est: in ipso vita erat, et vita erat lux hominum: et lux in tenebris lucet, et tenebræ eam non comprehenderunt.

Fuit homo missus a Deo, cui nomen erat Joannes. Hic venit in testimonium, ut testimonium perhiberet de lumine, ut omnes crederent per illum. Non erat ille lux; sed ut testimonium perhiberet de lumine. Erat lux vera quæ illuminat omnem hominem venientem in hunc mundum.

In mundo erat, et mundus per ipsum factus est, et mundus eum non cognovit. In propria venit, et sui eum non receperunt. Quotquot autem feceperunt eum, dedit eis potestatem filios

of the Gospel according to St. John. R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God: the same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him, and without him was made nothing that was made; in him was life, and the life was the light of men: and the light shineth in darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend if.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. This man came for a witness, to give testimony of the light, that all men might believe through him. He was not the light, but was to give testimony of the light. That was the true light which enlighteneth every man that cometh into this world.

He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them he gave

Dei fieri: his qui credunt in nomine ejus, qui non ex sanguinibus, neque ex voluntate carnis, neque ex voluntate viri, sed ex Deo nati sunt: Et Verbum caro factum est, et habitavit in nobis; et vidimus gloriam ejus, gloriam quasi unigeniti a Patre, plenum gratiæ et veritatis.

R. Deo gratias.

power to be made the sons of God: to them that believe in his name, who are born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God: And THE WORD WAS MADE FLESH, and dwelt among us; and we saw his glory, as it were the glory of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

R. Thanks be to God.

() Salutaris hostia! Quæ cœli pandis ostium: Bella premunt hostilia:

Da robur; fer auxilium.

2. Uni trinoque Domino, Sit sempiterna gloria:

Qui vitam sine termino,

Nobis donet in patria.

At the Benediction.

Antum ergo Sacramentum. Veneremur cernui :

Et antiquum documentum

Novo cedat ritui:

Præstet fides supplementum, Sensuum defectui.

Genitori, genitoque

Laus et jubilatio

Salus, honor, virtus, quoque,

Sit et benedictio:

Procedenti ab utroque,

O Saving Host. Saving Host! that

Laidst open at so dear a rate:

Intestine wars invade our breast;

Be thou our strength,

support, and rest. 2. To God the Father.

and the Son, And Holy Spirit, Three

in One. Be endless praise: may

HE above, With life eternal crown our love.

this mysterious table now,

Our knees, our hearts, and sense we bow:

Let ancient rites resign their place

To nobler elements of grace:

And faith for all defects supply,

Whilst sense is lost in mystery.

To God the Father born of none,

To Christ his co-eternal Son,

And Holy Ghost, whose equal rays

From both proceed, be equal praise:
One honour, jubilee, and

fame.

Compar sit laudatio.

Amen.

V Panem de cœlo, præstitisti eis, *Alleluia*.

R. Omne delectamentum in se habenten., Alleluia. For ever bless his glorious name. Amen.

V. Thou hast given them bread from heaven Alleluia.

R. Replenished with whatever is delicious, Alleluia.

The Prayer.

DEUS, qui nobis, sub sacramento mirabili passionis tue memoriam reliquisti: tribue quesumus, ita nos corporis et sanguinis tui, sacra mysteria venerari ut redemptionis tui fructum in nobis jugiter sentiamus. Qui.

O God, who in this wonderful sacrament, has left us a perpetual memorial of thy passion; grant us, we beseech thee, so to reverence the sacred mysteries of thy body and blood, as in our souls to be always sensible of the redemption thou hast purchased for us. Who.

I Whilst the Priest (holding the REMONSTRANCE in his Hand) exposes the B. Sacrament to the Veneration of the Faithful, the following Anthem is occasionally sung.

O Sacrum Convivium! in quo Christus sumitur: recolitur memoria passionis ejus: mens impletur gratia: et futuræ gloriæ nobis pignus datur. Aleluia.

O Sacred Banquet! in which Christ is received: the memory of his passion renewed: the mind replenished with grace: and a pledge of future glory is given to us. Alleluia.

PROPER MASSES

FOR

THE SUNDAYS

AND

MOVEABLE FEASTS

THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT.

THE Church employs the four weeks that precede Christmas in preparing the faithful for that great solemnity; hence the beginning of the ecclesiastical year is called Advent, from the Latin word Adventus, which signifies the coming, viz. of Jesus Christ. Our first parents soon after their fall, were comforted with the prediction of this great event, when God assured them that the time would come when "the seed of the woman should crush the head of the serpent." This promise was renewed to Abraham, confirmed to Isaac, determined to the tribe of Juda, fixed in the house of David; and lastly, the time of its perfect accomplishment was exactly calculated by the prophet Daniel.

INTROIT. Ps. xxiv.

TO thee, O Lord, have I lifted up my Soul. In thee, O my God, I put in the confulo, non erubesmy trust; let me not be cam: neque irrideant me

ashamed. Neither let my enemies laugh at me: for none of them that wait on thee shall be confounded. Ps. Shew, O Lord, thy ways to me, and teach me thy paths.

inimici mei: etcnim universi, qui te expectant, non confundentur. Ps. Vias tuas, Domine, demonstra mihi: et semitas tuas edoce me.

V. Glory, &c.

V. Gloria Patri, &c. Ad te, &c. to Ps.

To thee, &c. to Ps. Ad te, &c. to Ps. And thus the Introit is always repeated.

Gloria in excelsis is omitted from this Sunday till Christmas, and from Septuagesima until Easter,

unless on doubles, &c.

COLL. Excita, quæs.—Exert, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy power, and come: that by thy protection we may be freed from the imminent dangers of our sins, and be saved by thy mercy, who liveth and reigneth, &c. R. Amen.

From this day to Christmas-eve, after the Collect of the day, the two following Collects are said.

Of the B.V. MARY. *Deus qui.—O God, who wast pleased that thy Word, when the angel delivered his message, should take flesh in the womb of the blessed Virgin Mary: give ear to our humble petitions; and grant, that we, who believe her to be truly the Mother of God, may be helped by her prayers.

For the CHURCH. *Eccl. tuæ.—Mercifully hear, we beseech thee, O Lord, the prayers of thy Church, that all oppositions and errors being removed, she may serve thee with a secure and undisturbed devotion. Thro'. &c. Amen.

Or instead of the foregoing, the following may be said.

For the POPE. Deus omnium.—O God, the pastor and governor of all the faithful, look down in thy mercy on thy servant N. whom thou hast appointed Pastor over thy Church: and grant, we beseech thee, that, both by word and example, he may edify

all those that are under his charge, and, with the flock intrusted to him, arrive, at length, at eternal happiness. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Rom. xiii. 11. 14.—Brethren: Knowing that it is now the hour for us to rise from sleep. For now our salvation is nearer than when we believed. The night is past, and the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and put on the armour of light. Let us walk honestly, as in the days: not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and impurities, not in contention and envy: but put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ.

GRAD. Ps. xxiv.—None of them that wait on thee shall be confounded. V. Shew, O Lord, thy ways to me, and teach me thy paths. Alleluia, Alleluia.

V. Shew us, O Lord, thy mercy, and grant us thy salvation. Alleluia.

V. Ostende nobis, Domine, misericordiam tuam, et salutare tuum da nobis. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Luke xxi. 25. 33. — At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: There shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars: and upon the earth distress of nations, by reason of the confusion of the roaring of the sea and of the waves, men withering away for fear, and expectation of what shall come upon the whole world. For the powers of the heavens shall be moved: and then they shall see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with great power and majesty. But when these things begin to come to pass, look up, and lift up your heads: because your redemption is at hand. And he spoke to hem a similitude: See the fig-tree and all the trees: when they now shoot forth their fruit, you know the summer is nigh: so likewise when you see these things come to pass, know that the kingdom of God is at hand. Amen, I say to you, this gene ration shall not pass away, till all things be fulfilled.

Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away. Crepo.

OFFERTORY. Ps. xxiv.—To thee O Lord have I lifted up my soul. In thee O my God I put my trust, let me not be ashamed, neither let my enemies laugh at me: for none of them that wait on thee shall be confounded.

SECRET. Grant, O Lord, that these sacred mysteries may cleanse us by their powerful virtue, and bring us with greater purity to him, who was the author and institutor of them. Thro'.

Of the B. V. M. * Strengthen, we beseech thee, O Lord, in our souls, the mysteries of the true faith: that we who confess him, that was conceived of a · Virgin, to be true God, and true man, may, by the power of his saving resurrection, deserve to come to eternal joys. Thro' the same, &c.

For the CHURCH. * Protect us, O Lord, while we assist at thy sacred mysteries, that being employed in acts of religion, we may serve thee both in body

and mind. Thro'.

Instead of the last, may be said the following

For the POPE. Be appeased, O Lord, with the offering we have made, and cease not to protect thy servant N. whom thou hast been pleased to appoint Pastor over thy Church. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. lxxxiv.-For the Lord will give his

goodness: and our earth shall yield her fruit.

P. COMM. Suscipiamus.—May we receive, O Lord, thy mercy in the midst of thy temple, that with due honour we may prepare for the approach-

ing solemnity of our reparation. Thro'.

Of the B. V. M. * Gratian tuan.—Pour forth, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy grace into our hearts, that we, who, by the message of an angel, have known the incarnation of thy Son, the Christ, may by his passion and cross, come to the glory of his resurrection. Thro'. For the CHURCH. *Quæsumus.—We beseech thee, O Almighty God, not to leave exposed to the daugers of human life, those whom thou hast permitted to partake of those divine mysteries. Thro'.

Instead of the last, may be said the following.

For the POPE. May the participation of this divine sacrament protect us, we beseech thee, O Lord: and always procure safety and defence to thy servant N. whom thou hast appointed Pastor over thy Church, together with the flock committed to his charge. Thro?

Instead of Ite missa est, is said, Benedicamus Domino: which rule is always to be observed when the Gloria in excelsis is omitted.

On the week days in Advent, the Mass of the foregoing Sunday is said unless there be a proper Mass for the day, but the Alleluias and V. following the Gradual are omitted.

SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT. INTROIT. Is. xxx.

People of Sion, behold the Lord will come to save the Gentiles: and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard to the joy of your hearts. Ps. 79. Give ear O thou that rulest Israel: thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep. V. Glory.

Populus Sion, ecce Dominus veniet ad salvandas Gentes: et auditam faciet Dominus gloriam vocis suæ in latitia cordis vestri. Ps. 79. Qui regis Israel intende: qui deducis velut ovem, Joseph. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Excita, Domine.—Stir up, O Lord, our hearts to prepare the ways of thy only begotten Son: that by his coming we may be enabled to serve thee with pure minds. Who livest.

For the II. and III. Collects, see the first Sunday, page 50.

EPISTLE. Rom. xv. 4. 13. Brethren: What things soever were written were written for our instruction that through patience and the comfort of the scriptures we might have hope. Now the God of patience and of comfort grant you to be of one mind one towards another, according to Jesus Christ; that with one mind and with one mouth you may glorify God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Wherefore receive one another, as Christ also hath received you to the honour of God. For I say that Jesus was minister of the circumcision for the truth of God, to confirm the promises made unto the Fathers. But that the Gentiles are to glorify God for his mer-cy, as it is written: "Therefore I will confess to thee, O Lord, among the Gentiles, and will sing to thy name." And again: he saith: "Rejoice, ye Gentiles, with his people." And again: "Praise the Lord, all ye Gentiles, and magnify him all ye people." And again Isaiah saith: "There shall be a root of Jesse, and he that shall rise up to rule the Gentiles, in him the Gentiles shall hope." Now the God of Hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope, and in the power of the Holy Ghost.

GRAD. Ps. xlix.—He shall come in his comeliness and beauty from Sion; God will come visibly. V. Gather to him his saints, who have observed his covenant more than sacrifice. Alleluia, Alleluia.

covenant more than sacrifice. Alleluia, Alleluia.

V. I rejoiced at what

V. Lælatus sum in his
was told me: we are to
go up to the house of the
Lord. Alleluia.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. xi. 2. 10.—At that time: When John had heard in prison the works of Christ, sending two of his disciples he said to him. Art thou he that art to come, or look we for another? And Jesus making answer, said to them: Go and relate to John what you have heard and seen.

The blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead rise again, the poor have the gospel preached to them. And blessed is he that shall not be scandalized in me. And when they went their way, Jesus began to say to the multitude, concerning John: What went you out into the desert to see? A reed shaken with the wind? But what went you out to see? A man clothed in soft garments? Behold, they that are clothed in soft garments are in the houses of kings. But what went you out to see? A prophet? Yea, I tell you, and more than a prophet. For this is he of whom it is written: "Behold, I send my angel before thy face, who shall prepare thy way before thee." CREDO.

OFFERT. Thou wilt turn, O God, to us, and bring us to life, and thy people shall rejoice in thee. Shew us, O Lord, thy mercy, and grant us thy sal-

vation.

SECRET. Be appeased, O Lord, we beseech thee, by our humble prayers and sacrifices; and although we can allege no deserts on our part, grant us thy protection. Thro'.

For the II. and III. Secrets, see p. 52.

COMM. Arise, O Jerusalem, and stand on high and behold the joy that will come to thee from thy God.

P. COMM. Repleti.—Bein filled, O Lord, with this spiritual food, we humbly resech thee, to teach us, by partaking of this myster, to despise earthly things, and to love such as are mavenly.

For the II. and III. Postcommunions, see p. 52, 53.

THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT.
INTROIT, Philip iv. and Ps. lxxxiv.

REJOICE in the Lord always; again, 1 say, rejoice. Let your modesty be known to all

Audete in Domino G semper; iterum dico, gaudete: modestia vestra nota sit omnibus hominimen: the Lord is nigh. Be nothing solicitous: but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your petitions be made known to God. Ps. O Lord thou hast blest thy land; thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob. V. Glory.

bus: Dominus enim prope est: nihil soliciti sitis: sed in omni oratione petitiones vestræ innotescant anud Deum. Ps. Benedixisti. Domine, terram tuam, avertisti captivita tem Jacob. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Aurem tuam.—Bend thine ear, () Lord, we beseech thee, to our prayers, and enlight en the darkness of our minds by the grace of thy visitation. Who livest.

For the other Collects, see p. 50.

EPISTLE. Philip. iv. 4. 7.—Brethren: Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I say, Rejoice. Let your modesty be known to all ment. The Lord is nigh. Be nothing solicitous: but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your petitions be made known to God. And the peace of God. which surpasseth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

GRAD. Ps. lxxix.-Lord, who sittest on the Cherubim, exert thy power, and come. V. Thou, who rulest Israel, hearken; thou who leadest Joseph ns a sheep. Alleluia, Alleluia.

V. Exert, O Lord, thy us. Alleluia.

V. Excita, Domine, power, and come to save potentiam tuam, et veni: ut salvos facias nos. Allehija.

GOSPEL. John i. 19. 28.—At that time: The Jews sent from Jerusalem Priests and Levites to John, to ask him: Who art thou? And he confessed, and did not deny: and he confessed: I am not the Christ. And they asked him: What then? Art thou Elias? And he said. I am not. Art thou a prophet? And he answered: No. They said therefore unto him: Who art thou, that we may give an answer to them that sent us? What sayest thou of thyself? He said: "I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord," as said the prophet Isaias. And they that were sent were of the pharisees. And they asked him and said to him: Why then dost thou baptize, if thou be not Christ, nor Elias, nor the prophet? John answered them, saying: I baptize, with water; but there hath stood one in the midst of you, whom you know not. The same is he that shall come after me, who is preferred before me; the latchet of whose shoe I am not worthy to loose. These things were done in Bethania beyond the Jordan, where John was baptizing. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. lxxxiv.—Lord, thou hast blessed thy land: thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob. Thou hast forgiven the iniquity of thy

people.

SECRET. May we always, O Lord, offer thee this sacrifice of our devotion, both to comply with the institution of these sacred mysteries, and wonderfully to procure ourselves that salvation which thou designest us. Thro'.

For the other Secrets, see p. 52.

COMM. Is. xxxv.—Say, be comforted, O ye fearful of heart, and fear not; behold our God will come and save us.

P. COMM. Imploramus.—We implore, O Lord, thy mercy, that these divine helps having cleansed us from sin, may prepare us for the ensuing solemnity.

For the rest of the Postcommunions see pp. 52 and 53.

QUATUOR TEMPORA, OR EMBER-DAYS.

THE Ember-days, (so called from our forefathers' fasting on those days in sackcloth and ashes, or from their eating nothing but cakes baked under the embers.) are the Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday of the first week of Lent, of Whitsun-week, of the third week in September, and of the third week in Advent. The spirit of the Church is, to engage her children at these stated times to pray, fast, and perform such other good works as may prevail with God to furnish his Church with good pastors; Saturday in Ember-week being the appointed day for ordaining and consecrating persons to the sacred ministry. We are likewise to beg God's blessing on the fruits of the earth, and give him thanks for those we have already received.

WEDNESDAY IN EMBER WEEK. INTROIT. Is. xlv. Ps. xviii.

DROP down dew, ye heavens, from above, and let the clouds rain the just: let the earth be opened and bud forth a Saviour. Ps. The heavens show forth the glory of God, and the firmament declareth the work of his hands. V. Glory.

After Kyrie eleison is said, Let us pray.

Let us kneel down*. R. Stand up again. Flectamus genua.

R. Levate.

COLLECT. Præsta quæsumus.—Grant we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that the approaching solemnity of our redemption may afford us the succours of this present life, and heap on us the rewards of eternal happiness. Thro'.

1. LESSON. Is. ii. 2. 5.—In those days the prophe. Isaiah said: In the last days, the mountain of the house of the Lord shall be prepared on the top of

* At solemn Masses this is sung by the Deacon; when all kneel, till the Subdeacon, after a little pause, bids them stand up again to join with the Priest whilst he says the Collect. the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills: and all nations shall flow unto it. And many people shall go, and say: Come and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, and to the house of the God of Jacob, and he will teach us his ways, and we will walk in his paths; for the law shall come forth from Sion, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. And he shall judge the Gentiles, and rebuke many people; and they shall turn their swords into plough-shares, and their spears into sickles: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they be exercised any more to war. O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the Lord.

GRADUAL. Ps. xxiii.—Lift up your gates O you princes: and be you lifted up, O eternal gates, and the King of Glory shall enter in. Who shall ascend into the mountain of the Lord: or who shall stand in his holy place? The innocent in hands, and clean of heart.

The Lord be with you. R. And with thy spirit.

COLLECT. Festina.—Make haste, we beseech thee O Lord, and delay not; but grant us the assistance of thy heavenly grace; that they who trust in thy goodness, may be relieved by the comfort of thy coming. Who livest.

Here are said the other Collects, as directed, p. 50.

II. LESSON. Is. vii. 10, 16.—In those days: The Lord spoke unto Achaz, saying: Ask thee a sign of the Lord thy God, either unto the depth of hell, or unto the height above. And Achaz, said: I will not ask, and I will not tempt the Lord. And he said: Hear ye therefore, O house of David; Is it a small thing for you, to be grievous to men, that you are grievous to my God also? Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign. Behold a Virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and his name shall be called

Emmanuel. He shall eat butter and honey, that he may know to refuse the evil, and to choose the good.

GRADUAL. Ps. exliv. The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him; to all that call upon him in truth. V. My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord: and let all flesh bless his holy name.

GOSPEL. Luke i. 26. 38.—At that time: The angel Gabriel was sent from God into a city of Galilee, called Nazareth, to a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the Virgin's name was Mary. And the angel, being come in, said to her; Hail full of grace, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. Who having heard, she was troubled at his saying, and thought with herself what manner of salutation this should be. And the angel said to her: Fear not, Mary, for thou hast found grace with God. Behold thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and shalt bring forth a son: and thou shalt call his name Jesus. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of David his father: and he shall reign in the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there shall be no end. And Mary said to the Angel: How shall this be done, because I know not man? And the angel answering, said to her: The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Most High shall overshadow thee. And therefore also the Holy which shall be born of thee, shall be called the Son of God. And behold thy cousin Elizabeth she also hath conceived a son in her old age; and this is the sixth month with her that is called barren; because no word shall be impossible with God. And Mary said: behold the handmaid of the Lord, be it done to me according to thy word.

OFFERTORY. Is. xxxv.—Take courage, and

fear not: for behold our God will do justice; he

will come himself, and save us.

SECRET. Let our fasts, we beseech thee, O Lord, be acceptable to thee, that by atoning for our sins, they may both make us worthy of thy grace, and bring us to the everlasting effects of thy promises. Thro'.

COMM. Is. vii.—Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bring forth a Son; and his name shall be called

Emmanuel.

P. COMM. Salutaris.—Being filled, O Lord, by the participation of thy saving mysteries, we humbly beseech thee, that as we rejoice in the taste thereof, we may be renewed by their effects. Thro'.

FRIDAY IN EMBER-WEEK. INTROIT. Ps. cxviii.

THOU art near, O Lord: and all thy ways are truth. I have known from the beginning concerning thy testimonies: that thou hast founded them forever. Ps. Blessed are the undefiled in the way; who walk in the law of the Lord. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Excita, quæsumus.—Exert, O Lord, we beseech thee, thy power, and come: that they who trust in thy goodness, may speedily be delivered

from all adversity. Who livest.

LESSON. Is. xi. 1.5.—Thus saith the Lord God: And there shall come forth a rod out of the root of Jesse, and a flower shall rise up out of his root. And the spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him: the spirit of wisdom, and of understanding, the spirit of counsel, and of fortitude, the spirit of knowledge, and of godliness, and he shall be filled with the spirit of the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge according to the sight of the eyes, nor reprove according to the hearing of the ears. But he shall judge the poor with justice, and shall reprove with equity for

the meek of the earth: and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall slay the wicked. And justice shall be the girdle of his loins: and faith the girdle of his reins.

GRADUAL. Ps. lxxxiv.—Shew us, O Lord, thy mercy; and grant us thy salvation. V. Lord, thou hast blessed, thy land; thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob.

GOSPEL. Luke i. 39. 47.—At that time: Mary rising up in those days, went into the hill country with haste into a city of Juda. And she entered into the house of Zachary, and saluted Elizabeth. And it came to pass, that when Elizabeth heard the salutation of Mary, the infant leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Ghost. And she cried out with a loud voice, and said: Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb. And whence is this to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For behold as soon as the voice of thy salutation sounded in my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed art thou that hast believed, because those things shall be accomplished that were spoken to thee by the Lord. And Mary said: My soul doth magnify the Lord: and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

OFFERTORY. Ps. lxxxiv.—Thou wilt turn, O God, and bring us to life: and thy people shall rejoice in thee. Shew us, O Lord, thy mercy; and grant us thy salvation.

SECRET. Having received, O Lord, our offerings and prayers, cleanse us, we beseech thee, by these heavenly mysteries, and mercifully hear us.

COMM. Zach. xiv.—Behold, the Lord will come, and all his saints with him; and in that day there shall be a great light.

P. COMM. Tui nos.—May the receiving, O Lord, of thy sacrament, give us a new life, that by putting aside the old man, it may bring us to the participation of this saving mystery. Thro'.

SATURDAY IN EMBER-WEEK. INTROIT. Ps. lxxix.

OME, and shew us thy faith, O Lord, who igcup sittest on the Cherubim: and we shall be saved. Ps. Thou who rulest Israel hearken; who leadest Joseph as a sheep. V. Glory.

After the Kyrie eleison, is said:

Let us pray. Let us kneel down. R. Stand up again. I. COLLECT. Deus, qui conspicis.—O God, who seest us afflicted through our own wickedness: mercifully grant, that by thy coming we may be comforted. Who livest.

1. LESSON. Is. xix. 20. 22.—In those days: They shall cry to the Lord because of the oppressor, and he shall send them a Saviour and a defender to deliver them. And the Lord shall be known by Egypt, and the Egyptians shall know the Lord in that day, and shall worship him with sacrifices and offerings: and they shall make vows to the Lord, and perform them. And the Lord, shall strike Egypt with a scourge, and shall heal it, and they shall return to the Lord, and he shall be pacified towards them, and heal them.

GRADUAL. Ps. xviii.—His going out is from the end of heaven, and his circuit even to the end thereof: V. The heavens shew forth the glory of God and the firmament declareth the work of his hands. Let us pray. Let us kneel down. R. Stand up again.

II. COLLECT. Concede quæsumus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we who groan under the old captivity of sin, may be freed by the new birth of thy only Son, which we are preparing for. Who liveth.

II. LESSON. Is. xxxv. 1. 7.—Thus swith the Lord: The land that was desolate and impassable shall be glad, and the wilderness shall rejoice, and shall flourish like the lily. It shall bud forth, and blossom, and shall rejoice with joy and praise: the glory of Libanus is given to it, the beauty of Carmel and Saron, they shall see the glory of the Lord, and the beauty of our God. Strengthen ye the feeble hands, and confirm the weak knees. Say to the faint hearted: Take courage, and fear not: behold your God will bring the revenge of recompense: God himself will come and will save you. Then shall the eyes of the blind be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped. Then shall the lame man leap as a hart, and the tongue of the dumb shall be free: for waters are broken out in the desert, and streams in the wilderness. which was dry land, shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of water, saith the Lord Almighty.

GRADUAL. Ps. xviii.—He hath set his tabernacle in the sun: and he as a bridegroom coming out of his bride chamber. V. His going out is from the ends of heaven, and his circuit even to the end

thereof.

Let us pray. Let us kneel down. R. Stand up again. III. COLLECT. *Indignos nos.*—Comfort us, O Lord, thy unworthy servants, who lie dejected under the horror of our crimes, by the coming of thy only Son. Who liveth.

III. LESSON. Is. xl. 9. 10.—Thus saith the Lord: Get thee up upon a high mountain, thou that bringest good tidings to Sion: lift up thy voice with strength, thou that bringest good tidings to Jerusalem: lift it up, fear not. Say to the cities of Juda: Behold your God: behold the Lord God shall come with strength, and his arm shall rule behold his reward is with him, and his work is be-

fore him. He shall feed his flock like a shepherd. he shall gather together the lambs with his arm, and shall take them up in his bosom.

GRADUAL. Ps. lxxix.—O God of Hosts, convert us: and shew thy face, and we shall be saved. V. Stir up thy might, O Lord, and come to save us.

Let us pray. Let us kneel down. R. Stand up again.

IV. COLLECT. Prasta, quasumus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that the approaching solemnity of thy Son's birth may afford us the remedies of this present life, and obtain for us the rewards of eternal happiness. Thro' the same.

IV. LESSON. Is. xlv. 1. 9.—Thus saith the Lord to my anointed Cyrus, whose right hand I have taken hold of, to subdue nations before his face, and to turn the backs of kings, and to open the doors before him, and the gates shall not be shut. I will go before thee, and will humble the great ones of the earth: I will break in pieces the gates of brass, and will burst the bars of iron. And I will give thee hidden treasures, and the concealed riches of secret places: that thou mayest know that I am the Lord who call thee by thy name, the God of Israel. For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my elect, I have even called thee by thy name: I have made a likeness of thee, and thou hast not known me. I am the Lord, and there is none else: there is no God besides me: I girded thee, and thou hast not known me: that they may know who are from the rising of the sun, and they who are from the west, that there is none beside me. I am the Lord, and there is none else, I form the light, and create darkness, I make peace, and create evil: I the Lord that do all these things. Drop down dew, ye heavens, from above, and let the clouds rain the just: let the earth be opened, and bud

forth a saviour: and let justice spring up together: I the Lord have created him.

GRADUAL. Ps. lxxix.—Stir up thy might, O Lord, and come to save us. Give ear, O thou that rulest Israel: thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep; thou that sittest upon the cherubims, shine forth before Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasses.

Let us pray. Let us kneel down. R. Stand up again.

V. COLLECT. Preces populi.—Mercifully hear, O Lord, we beseech thee, the prayers of thy people; that we, who are justly afflicted for our sins, may receive comfort from thy kind visit. Who livest.

V. LESSON. Dan. iii. 49.—In those days: The angel of the Lord went down with Azarias, and his companions into the furnace: and he drove the flame of the fire out of the furnace, and made the midst of the furnace like the blowing of a wind bringing dew, and the fire touched them not at all, nor troubled them, nor did them any harm. Then these three, as with one mouth, praised and glorified, and blessed God in the furnace, saying:

CANTICLE.

Blessed art thou, O Lord, the God of our fathers: and worthy of praise and glory forever.

And blessed is the name of thy glory; which is

holy; and worthy of praise and glory forever.

Blessed art thou in the holy temple of thy glory: and worthy of praise and glory forever.

Blessed art thou upon the sacred throne of thy kingdom: and worthy of praise and glory forever.

Blessed art thou, on the sceptre of thy divinity:

and worthy of praise and glory forever.

Blessed art thou, who sittest on the Cherubim, beholding the deep: and worthy of praise and glory forever.

Blessed art thou who walkest on the wings of

the winds, and on the waves of the sea: and worthy of praise and glory for ever.

May all the angels and thy holy ones bless thee:

may they praise and glorify thee for ever.

May the heavens, earth, sea, and all therein bless thee: may they praise and glorify thee for ever.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: who is worthy of praise and glory for ever.

R. As it was in the beginning, now is, and evermore shall be, world without end. Amen. Who is worthy of praise and glory for ever.

Blessed art/thou, O Lord, the God of our forefathers, and worthy of praise and glory for ever.

V. The Lord be with you. R. And with thy

spirit.

VI. COLLECT. Deus, qui tribus.—O God, who, in behalf of the three young men, didst render harmless the flames of fire: mercifully grant, that we thy servants may not be burnt by the flames of vice. Thro?

Here are said the other Collects, as directed, p. 50. EPISTLE. 2 Thess. ii. 1. 8.—Brethren, We beseech you by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and of our gathering together unto him: that you be not easily moved from your mind, nor be frighted, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by epistle, as sent from us, as if the day of the Lord were at hand. Let no man deceive you by any means: for unless there come a revolt first, and the man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition, who opposeth, and is lifted up above all that is called God, or that is worshipped, so that he sitteth in the temple of God shewing himself as if he were God. Remember you not, that when I was yet with you I told you these things? And now you know what withholdeth, that ne may be revealed in his time. For the mystery of iniquity already worketh: only that he who now

holdeth, do hold, until he be taken out of the way, and then that wicked one shall be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus shall kill with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming.

GRADUAL. Ps. lxxix.—Thou who rulest Israel, hearken: thou who leadest Joseph as a sheep. V. Thou who sittest on the Cherubim, shew thyself to Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasse. V. Exert thy power, O Lord, and come to save us.

GOSPEL. Luke iii. as in the next p. 69.

OFFERTORY. Rejoice exceedingly, O daughter of Sion, publish it, O daughter of Jerusalem's behold thy King and Saviour cometh to thee.

SECRET. Hear us, O Lord, we beseech thee, and, being appeased by these offerings, grant they may increase our devotion, and advance our salvation. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xviii.—He hath rejoiced as a giant to run the way: his going out is from the end of heaven, and his circuit even to the end thereof.

P. COMM. Quasumus.—We beseech thee, O Lord our God, that thou wouldst make these sacred mysteries, which thou hast given us, strengthen in us the effects of our reparation, and be a remedy to us, both now and hereafter. Thro'.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT.

INTROIT. Is. xlv. Ps. xviii.

DROP down dew, ye heavens from above and let the clouds rain the just: let the earth be opened and bud forth a Saviour. Ps. The heavens shew forth the glory of God: and the firmament declareth the works of his hands. V. Glory.

Rorate cæli desuper, et aperiatur terra, et ger minet Salvatorem. Ps. 18 Cæli enarrant gloriam Dei; et opera manuum ejus annuntiat firmamentum V. Gloria. COLLECT. Excita quesumus.—Exert, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy power, and come: and succour us by thy great might: that by the assistance of thy grace, thy indulgent mercy may hasten, what is delayed by our sins. Who livest.

EPISTLE. 1 Cor. iv. 1.—Brethren: Let a man so account of us as of the ministers of Christ, and the dispensers of the mysteries of God. Here now it is required amongst the dispensers that a man be found faithful. But to me it is a very small thing to be judged by you, or by man's day: but neither do I judge my own self. For I am not conscious to myself of any thing: yet I am not hereby justified; but he that judgeth me is the Lord. Therefore judge not before the time till the Lord come; who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the council of hearts: and then shall every man have praise from God.

GRAD. Ps. cxliv.—The Lord is nigh unto all those who call upon him; to all that call upon him in truth. V. My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord; and let all flesh bless his holy name. Alleluia.

V. Come, O Lord, and delay not: release thy people Israel from their sins. Alleluia.

V. Veni, Domine, et noli tardare: relaxafaction nora plebis tuæ Israel.

Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Luke iii. 1. 6.—Now in the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Cæsar (Pontius Pilate being governor of Judea, and Herod Tetrarch of Galilee, and Philip his brother Tetrarch of Iturea, and the country of Trachonitis, and Lysanias Tetrarch of Abilina under the high Priests Annas and Caiphas) the word of the Lord came to John the son of Zachary in the desert. And he came into all the country about the Jordan, preaching the Laptism of penance for the remission of sins, as it was

written in the book of the words of Isaias tne prophet: "A voice of one crying in the wilderness prepare ye the way of the Lord: make straight his paths, every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be brought low; and the crooked shall be made straight: and the rough ways plain:" and all flesh shall see the salvation of God. CREDO.

OFFERT. Luke i.—Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou amongst

women: and blessed is the fruit of thy womb.

SECRET. Hear us, O Lord, we beseech thee, and being appeased by these offerings, grant they may increase our devotion, and advance our salvation.

For the rest of the Secrets see p. 52. COMM. Is. vii.—Behold a virgin shall conceive, and bare a son, and his name shall be called Emmanuel.

P. COMM. Sumptis.—Having received what has been offered to thee, O Lord, grant, we beseech thee, that the more frequently we partake of these sacred mysteries, the more our devotion may increase.

For the rest of the Postcommunions see pp. 52, 53.

CHRISTMAS EVE.

INTROIT. This day you shall know, that the Lord will come, and save us: and in the morning you shall see his glory. Ps. The earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof: the world, and all that

dwell therein. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Deus qui nos.—O God, who makest us rejoice in the yearly expectation of the feast of our redemption: grant, that we who cheerfully receive thy only begotten Son as a redeener, may behold without fear the same Lord Jesus Christ, coming as our judge. Who livest. This is the only Collect, unless it be Sunday, when a

Commem. of it is here made, as well as at the Se cret and P. Comm. but its Gospel is not read at

the end of Mass.

EPISTLE. Rom. i. 1. 6 .- Paul a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, separated unto the gospel of God, which he had promised before by his prophets in the holy scriptures, concerning his Son, who was made to him of the seed of David according to the flesh; who was predestinated the Son of God in power according to the spirit of sanctification, by the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead; by whom we have received grace and apostle-ship for obedience to the faith in all nations for his name, among whom are you also the called of Jesus Christ.

GRAD. As the Introit to Ps. V. Thou who rulest Israel, hearken, thou who leadest Joseph like a sheep: thou who sittest on the Cherubim, shew thyself to Ephrain, Benjamin and Manasses. [If it be Sunday add Alleluia, Alleluia.] V. To-morrow the sins of the earth shall be cancelled, and the Saviour

of the world shall reign over us. Alleluia.
GOSPEL. Matt. i. 18. 20.—When Mary the mother of Jesus was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. Whereupon Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing publicly to expose her, was minded to put her away privately. But while he thought on these things, behold the angel of the Lord appeared to him in his sleep, saying: Joseph, son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. And she shall bring forth a Son: and thou shalt call his name Jesus; for he shall save his people from their sins.

OFFERT. Ps. 23.—Lift up your gates, O ye princes: and be ye lifted up, O eternal gates, and

the King of glory shall enter in.

SECRET. Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that as we celebrate the eve of the adorable birth of thy Son, we may one day receive with joy is eternal rewards. Who liveth.

COMM. Is. xl.—The glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see the salvation of our God.

P. COMM. Grant us, we beseech thee, O Lord relief by celebrating the birth of thy only Son whose sacred mysteries are our meat and drink. Thro

CHRISTMAS.

N this solemn Festival three Masses are sung or said, to represent to us that Christ by his nativity came into the world to save, 1. Those who were before the Luw: 2. Those who were under the Law: 3. Those under the Gospel. By these three Masses the Church likewise honors a threefold Nativity of Christ. 1. His eternal generation and Nativity, born from all eternity and before all time of his Father:
2. His nativity and generation in time according to his human nature, being born of the Blessed Virgin Mary:
3. His spiritual birth by grace in the souls of the just.

CHRISTMAS. I. Mass. At Midnight.

INTROIT. Ps. ii.-The Lord hath said to me: Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee. Ps. Why have the Gentiles raged, and the people devised vain things? V. Glory.

COLLECT. Deus, qui hanc .- O God, who hast enlightened this most sacred night by the brightness of him who is the true light; grant, we beseech thee, that we who have known the mysteries of this light on earth, may likewise come to the enjoyment of it in heaven. Who liveth.

EPISTLE. Tit. ii. 11. 15 .- Dearly beloved: The grace of God our Saviour hath appeared to all men. Instructing us, that denying ungodliness and worldly desires, we should live solerly, and justly, and godly, in this world, looking for the blessed hope, and coming of the glory of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ: who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and might cleanse to himself a people acceptable, a pursuer of good works. These things speak, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no man despise thee.

GRAD. Ps. cix.—With thee is the principality in the day of thy strength: in the brightness of the saints: from the womb before the day-star I begot thee. V. The Lord said to my Lord: Sit thou at my right-hand: until I make thy enemies thy footstool. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Ps. ii. The Lord hath said to me: Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Luke ii. 1. 14.—And it came to pass that in those days there went out a decree from Cresar Augustus, that the whole world should be enrolled. This enrolling was first made by Cyrinus the governor of Syria. And all went to be enrolled, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee out of the city of Nazareth into Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem: because he was of the house and family of David, to be enrolled with Mary his espoused wife, who was with child. And it came to pass, that when they were there, her days were accomplished, that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped him up in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger: because there was no room for them in the inn. there were in the same country shepherds watching and keeping the night watches over their flock. And behold an angel of the Lord stood by them, and the brightness of God shone round about them, and they feared with a great fear. And the angel said to them: Fear not: for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy, that shall be to all the people: for this day is born to you a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord, in the city of David. And this shall be a sign unto you: you shall find the infant wrapped in swaddling clothes, and laid in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly army, praising God, and saying: Glory to. God in the highest: and on earth peace to men of good-will.—CREDO.

of good-will.—CREDO.
OFFERT. Ps. xcv.—Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad in the presence of the Lord, for

that he is come.

SECRET. Receive, O Lord, the offerings we make to thee on this present solemnity, that by thy grace, through the intercourse of these sacred mysteries, we may be conformable to him, in whom our nature is united to thine. Who liveth.

COMM. Ps. cix.—In the brightness of the saints;

from the womb before the day-star I begot thee.

P. COMM. Da nobis.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord our God, that we who celebrate with joy the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ, by partaking several times of these sacred mysteries, may, by a worthy conduct of life, come to be united with him. Who liveth.

II. MASS. At break of day.

INTROIT. Is. ix.—A light shall shine upon us this day: because the Lord is born for us: and his name shall be the Wonderful One, God, the Prince of Peace, the Father of the World to come, of whose reign there shall be no end. Ps. The Lord hath reigned, he is clothed with beauty: the Lord is clothed with strength, and hath girded himself. Glory.

COLLECT. Da nobis.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that, as we are enlightened by the new light of thy Word become flesh, we may shew in our actions the effects of that faith that

shineth in our minds. Thro' the same.

COLLECT of St. Anastasia.

Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that, as we celebrate the solemnity of blessed Anastasia thy martyr, we may be sensible of the effects of her prayers to thee in our behalf. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Tit. iii. 4. 7.—Most dearly beloved The goodness and kindness of God our Saviour appeared: not by the works of justice, which we have done, but according to his mercy, he saved us, by the laver of regeneration, and renovation of the Holy Ghost, whom he hath poured forth upon us, abundantly, through Jesus Christ our Saviour: that being justified by his grace, we may be heirs according to hope of life everlasting, thro' Jesus Christ our Lord.

GRAD. Ps. cxviii.—Blessed be He that cometh in the name of the Lord. The Lord is our God, and he hath shone upon us. V. This is the Lord's doing, and it is wonderful in our eyes. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. The Lord hath reigned, he is clothed with beauty: the Lord is clothed with strength, and hath girded himself with might. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Luke ii. 15. 20.—At that time: The shepherds said one to another: Let us go over to Bethlehem, and let us see this word that is come to pass which the Lord hath shewed to us. And they came with haste: and they found Mary and Joseph, and the infant lying in a manger. And seeing, they understood of the word that had been spoken to them concerning this child. And all that heard wondered: and at those things that were told them by the shepherds. But Mary kept all these words, pondering them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God, for all the things they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. xcii.—The Lord hath established

the world, which shall all be moved: thy throne, O Lord, is prepared from of old, thou art from everlasting.

SECRET. May the offerings, O Lord, we make, be agreeable to the mystery of this day's birth, and always pour forth peace upon us; that as he, who though born man, shewed himself also God: so may this earthly substance give us that which is divine.

SECRET of St. Anastasia. Graciously receive, O Lord, we beseech thee, our offerings, and grant, by the merits of blessed Anastasia the martyr, that

they may avail to our salvation. Thro'.

COMM. Zach. ix.—Rejoice, O daughter of Sion, shout for joy, O daughter of Jerusulem: behold thy king will come to thee the just and Saviour of the world.

P. COMM. Hujus nos.—May we, O Lord, always receive new light from this sacrament, which reneweth to us the memory of that wonderful birth,

which destroyed the old man. Thro'.

P. COMM. of St. Anast. Thou hast fed, O Lord, thy family with these sacred oblations: ever therefore comfort us with her intercession, whose feast we celebrate. Thro'.

III. MASS. On Christmas-day.

INTROIT. Isaias ix.

A Child is born to us, and a Son is given to us, and the government is upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called the Angel of the great Council. Ps. Sing to the Lord a new canticle, for he hath done wonderful things. V. Glory.

PUER natus est nobis, et Filius datus est nobis: cujus imperium super humerum ejus, et vocabitur nomen ejus, Magni Concilii Angelus. Ps. 97. Cantate Domino canticum novum: quia mirabilia fecit.
V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Concede.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we who groan under the old captivity of sin, may be freed therefrom by the birth

of thy only begotten Son. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Heb. i. 1, 12.—God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spoke in times past to the fathers by the prophets, last of all, in those days, hath spoken to us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the world: who being the brightness of his glory, and the figure of his substance, and upholding all things by the word of his power, making purgation of sins, sitteth on the right-hand of the majesty on high: being made so much better than the angels, as he hath inherited a more excellent name than they. For to which of the angels hath he said at any time, "Thou art my Son, to day have I begotten thee?" And again: "I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a Son?" And again, when he bringeth in the first begotten into the world, he saith: "And let all the angels of God adore him." And to the ungels indeed he saith: "He that maketh his angels, spirits: and his ministers a flame of fire." But to the Son: "Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of justice is the sceptre of thy kingdom. Thou hast loved justice and hated iniquity: therefore, God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows." And: "Thou, in the beginning, O Lord, didst found the earth: and the works of thy hands are the heavens. They shall perish, but thou shalt continue: and they shall all grow old as a garment. And as a vesture shalt thou change them, and they shall be changed: but thou art the self-same, and thy years shall not fail."

GRAD. Ps. xcvii.—All the ends of the earth hath seen the salvation of our God: sing joyfully to the Lord all the earth. V. The Lord hath made known his salvation: he hath revealed his justice in the sight of the Gentiles. Alleluia.

V. A sanctified day hath shone upon us: come, ye Gentiles, and adore the Lord, for this day a great light is come down upon the earth.

Allehuin.

V. Dies sanctificatus illuxit nobis: venite Gentes, et adorate Dorvinum, quia hodie descendi: tux magna super terram. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. John i. In the beginning, &c. as in the

Ordinary, p. xlv.

OFFERT. Ps. lxxxviii.—Thine are the heavens, and thine is the earth; the world and the fulness thereof thou hast founded: Justice and judgment are the preparation of thy throne.

SECRET. Sanctify, O Lord, our offerings, by the new birth of thy only begotten Son, and cleanse us from the stains of our sins. Thro'. the same.

COMMUNICANTES, till the Circumcision.

BEING united in communion, and celebrating this most sacred day, [in the 1st Mass, sacred night,] on which the spotless virginity of the blessed Mary brought forth a Saviour to this world, moreover honouring in the first place, the memory of the same glorious V. M. &c. as in p. xxxiv.

COMM. Ps. xcvii.—The whole earth hath seen

the salvation of our God.

P. COMM. Prasta, quasumus.—Grant we be seech thee, O Almighty God, that as the Saviour of the world, who was born this day, procured for us a divine birth, he may also bestow on us immortality. Who liveth.

At the end of this Mass is said the Gospel of the

Epiphany, p. 91.

St. STEPHEN the first Martyr. INTROIT. Ps. cxviii.

PRINCES sat, and spoke against me: and sinners persecuted me: help me, O Lord my God, for thy servant hath practised thy commandme its. Pa.

Blessed are the undefiled in the way: who walk in the law of the Lord. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Da nobis.—Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, that we may imitate him whose memory we celebrate, so as to learn to love even our enemies, because we now solemnize his martyrdom, who knew how to pray, even for his persecutors, to our Lord Jesus Christ, thy Son. Who liveth.

Commem. of Christmas, by the Collect, Secret, and P. Comm. of the III. Mass, p. 77.

LESSON. Acts vi. 8. 10. vii. 54. 69.-In those days: Stephen, full of grace and fortitude, did great wonders and signs among the people. there arose some of that which is called the synagogue of the Libertines, and of the Cyrenians, and of the Alexandrians, and of them that were of Cilicia and Asia, disputing with Stephen. And they were not able to resist the wisdom and the spirit that spoke. Chap. vii. 54. Now hearing these things, they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed with their teeth at him. But he being full of the Holy Ghost, looking up steadfastly to heaven, saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right-hand of God. And he said: Behold I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the righthand of God. And they, crying out with a loud voice, stopped their ears, and with one accord ran violently upon him. And casting him forth without the city, they stoned him: and the witnesses laid down their garments at the feet of a young man, whose name was Saul. And they stoned Stephen, invoking and saying: Lord Jesus receive my spirit. And falling on his knees, he cried with a loud voice, saying: Lord, lay not this sin to their charge. And when he said this, he fell asleep in the Lord.

GRAD. Ps. cxviii.—Princes sat, and spoke against me: and the wicked persecuted me. V. Help me, O

Lord my God: save me for thy mercies sake. Alle-luia, Alleluia.

V. I see the heavens opened, and Jesus standing at the right hand of the power of God. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. xxiii. 34. 39.-At that time. Jesus said to the Scribes and Pharisees: Behold 1 send to you prophets, and wise men, and scribes: and some of them you will put to death, and crucify, and some you will scourge in your synagogues, and persecute from city to city: that upon you may come all the just blood that hath been shed upon the earth, from the blood of Abel the just, even unto the blood of Zacharias the son of Barachias, whom you killed between the temple and the altar. Amen. I say to you, all these things shall come upon this generation. Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou' that killest the prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered together thy children, as the hen doth gather her chickens under her wings, and thou wouldst not? Behold, your house shall be left to you desolate. For I say to you, you shall not see me henceforth till you say: Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. CREDO.

OFFERT. Acts vi. 7.—The Apostles chose Stephen, a Levite, full of faith, and of the Holy Ghost, whom the Jews stoned, praying and saying: Lord Jesus, receive my spirit. Alleluia.

SECRET. Receive, O Lord, these offerings in memory of thy saints: and as their sufferings have made them glorious, so may our devotion render us free from sin. Thro'.

COMM. Acts vii.—I see the heavens opened, and Jesus standing on the right-hand of the power of God: Lord Jesus receive my spirit, and lay not this sin to their charge.

P. COMM. Auxilientur.—May the mysteries we

we received, O Lord, be a help to us, and, by the intercession of the blessed martyr, Stephen, strengthen us with thy perpetual protection. Thro'.

St. JOHN the EVANGELIST.

INTROIT, In medio, as in MASS XII. Common of Doctors.

COLLECT. *Ecclesia*.—Mercifully, O Lord, enlighten thy Church, that being taught by blessed John, thy Apostle and Evangelist, she may come to thy eternal rewards. Thro'.

The Commem. of Christmas, and of St. Stephen, by their several Collects, Secrets, and P. Comms.

LESSON. Ecclus. xv. 1. 6.—He that feareth God, will do good: and he that possesseth justice, shall lay hold on her. And she will meet him as an honourable mother, With the bread of life and understanding, she shall feed him, and give him the water of wholesome wisdom to drink: and she shall be made strong in him, and he shall not be moved: and she shall hold him fast, and he shall not be confounded: and she shall exalt him among his neighbours, and in the midst of the Church she shall open his mouth, and shall fill him with the spirit of wisdom and understanding, and shall clothe him with the robe of glory. She shall heap upon him a treasure of joy and gladness, and our Lord God shall cause him to inherit an everlasting name.

GRAD. John xxi.—A report was spread among the brethren, that that disciple should not die: but Jesus said hot, he should not die. V. But, so I will have him renain till I come: follow thou me. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. This is the disciple that beareth testimony of these things, and we know his testimony is true. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. John xxi. 19. 24.—At that time Jesus said to Peter: follow me. Peter turning about, saw that disciple whom Jesus loved following, who also leaned on his breast at supper, and said: Lord, who is he that shall betray thee? Him therefore when Peter had seen, he saith to Jesus: Lord and what shall this man do? Jesus saith to him: So I will have him to remain till I come, what is it to thee? follow thou me. This saying, therefore, went abroad among the brethren, that that disciple should not die. And Jesus did not say to him: He should not die; but, so I will have him to remain till I come, what is it to thee? This is that disciple who giveth testimony of these things, and hath written these things: and we know that his testimony is true. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. xci.—The just shall flourish like the palm tree: he shall grow up like the cedar of

Libanus.

SECRET. Receive, O Lord, the offerings we make to thee, on his feast, by whose intercession we

hope to be delivered. Thro'.

COMM. John xxi.—A report was spread among the brethren, that that disciple should not die. But Jesus said not, he should not die; but so will I that he remain till I come.

P. COMM. Refecti cibo.—Being refreshed, O Lord, with this heavenly meat and drink, we humbly beseech thee, that we may be assisted by his prayers, on whose feast we have received these sacred mysteries. Thro'.

The HOLY INNOCENTS.

INTROIT. Ps. viii.—Out of the mouth of infants and sucklings thou hast perfected praise to confound thy enemies. Ps. O Lord, our Lord, how admirable is thy name in the whole earth! V Glory.

Gloria in Excelsis is not said, except it be Sunday, or the Octave-day.

COLLECT. Deus, cujus.—O God, whose praise the Holy Martyrs, the Innocents, published this day, not by speaking, but by dying: mortify in us all our vicious inclinations, that we may shew forth, in our actions, thy faith which we profess with our lips. Thro.

The Commems. of Christmas, of St. Stephen, of St. John, by their respective Collects, Secrets, and P.

Communions, as pp. 77. 79. and 81.

LESSON. Rev. xiv. 1. 5.—In those days: I beheld, the Lamb standing on mount Sion, and with him a hundred forty-four thousand, having his name, and the name of his Father written on their foreheads. And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of great thunder: and the voice which I heard, was as the voice of harpers, harping on their harps. And they sung as it were a new canticle, before the throne, and before the four living creatures, and the ancients, and no man could say the canticle, but those hundred forty-four thousand, who were purchased from the earth. These are they who were not defiled with women: for they are virgins. These follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were purchased from among men, the first fruits to God, and to the Lamb: and in their mouths there was found no lie; for they are without spot before the throne of God.

GRAD. Ps.—Our soul hath been delivered, as a sparrow out of the snare of the fowlers. V. The snare is broken, and we are delivered: our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Praise the Lord: you his servants, praise ye the name of the Lord. Alleluia. If it be not the Octave-day or Sunday, the above Alleluias and V. are omitted; and in their stead is aid the Tract.

TRACT. Ps. lxxviii.—They have spilt the blood of the saints, like water about Jerusalem. V. And there were none to bury them. V. Revenge, O Lord, the blood of thy saints, which hath been spilt on the earth.

GOSPEL. Matt. ii. 13. 18.—At the same time: An angel of the Lord appeared in sleep to Joseph, saying Arise, and take the Child and his Mother, and fly into Egypt; and be there until I shall tell thee. For it will come to pass that Herod will seek the Child to destroy him. Who arose, and took the Child and his mother by night, and retired into Egypt: and he was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which the Lord spoke by the prophet, saying: "Out of Egypt have I called my Son." Then Herod perceiving that he was deluded by the wise Men, was exceeding angry: and sending killed all the men-children that were in Bethlehem, and in all the borders thereof, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had diligently enquired of the wise men. Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremias the prophet, saying: "A voice in Rama was heard, lamentation and great mourning: Rachel bewailing her children, and would not be comforted, because they are not." CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. exxiii.—Our soul hath been delivered, as a Sparrow out of the snares of the fowlers. The

snare is broken and we are delivered.

SECRET. May the pious prayers of thy saints, O Lord, be never wanting to us, both to make our offerings acceptable, and to obtain for us thy mercy. Thro'.

COMM. Matt. ii.—A voice in Rama was heard, lamentation and great mourning: Rachel bewailing her children, and would not be comforted, because

they are not.

P COMM. Votiva.—Now we have partaken, C

Lord, of the votive offerings, grant, we beseeth thee, that by the prayers of thy saints, they may procure us the helps of this present life, and those of that which is to come. Thro'.

St. T. of CANTERBURY, Bp. and M.

INTROIT. Let us all rejoice in the Lord, and celebrate this festival in honour of blessed Thomas the martyr, for whose martyrdom the angels rejoice, and praise the Son of God. Ps. Rejoice in the Lord O ye just: praise becometh the upright. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Deus, pro cujus.—O God, in defence of whose Church, the glorious prelate Thomas, fell by the swords of wicked men: grant, we beseech thee, that all who implore his assistance, may find comfort in the grant of their petition. Thro'.

In this Mass, Commems. of Christmas, St. Stephen, St. John, and H. Innocents, are made by their Collects, &c. as above, from p. 77 to 84 inclusively.

EPISTLE. Heb. v. 1. 6.—Brethren: Every high priest taken from among men, is ordained for men in the things that appertain to God, that he may offer up gifts and sacrifices for sins: who can have compassion on them that are ignorant and that err: because he himself also is compassed with infirmity: and therefore he ought, as for the people, so also for himself, to offer for sins. Neither doth any man take the honour to himself, but he that is called by God, as Aaron was. So also Christ did not glorify himself that he might be made a high priest: but he that said to him, "Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee." As he saith also in another place: "Thou art a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchisedech."

GRAD. Ecclus. xliv.—Behold a great Prelate, who in his days pleased God. V. There was none found like him in keeping the law of the Most High. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. I am the good shep-

herd, and 1 know my sheep, and my sheep know me. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. John x. 11. 16.—As on the Second Sunday after Easter.

OFFERT. Ps. xx.—Thou hast set, O Lord, on his head, a crown of precious stones; he asked life of thee: and thou didst give it him. Allelvia.

SECRET. Sanctify O Lord, the offerings consecrated to thee: and being appeased thereby, mercifully look upon us, by the intercession of blessed T. thy Martyr and Bishop. Thro'.

COMM. John x.—I am the good shepherd, and I know my sheep, and my sheep know me.

P. COMM. Hac nos com.—May this communion, O Lord, cleanse us from sin, and, by the intercession of blessed Thomas, thy martyr and bishop, make us effectually partakers of this heavenly remedy. Thro'.

SUNDAY within the Octave of Christmas. INTROIT. Wisdom xviii. Ps. xcii.

WHILE all things were in quiet silence, and the night was in the midst of her course, thy Almighty Word, O Lord, came down from thy royal throne.

Ps. The Lord hath reigned, he is clothed with beauty: the Lord is clothed with strength, and hath girded himself.

V. Glory

DUM medium silentium tenerunt omnia, el nox in suo cursu medium iler haberet, Omnipolens Sermo tuus, Domine, de calis a regalibus sedibus venit.

Ps. xcii. Dominus regnavit, decorem indutus est: indutus est Dominus fortitudinem, et præcinzit se.

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Omnipotens.—O almighty and eternal God, regulate our actions according to thy divine

will, that, in the name of thy beloved Son, we may abound in good works. Thro'.

Commems. of Christmas, St. Thomas, &c. by their respective Collects, &c. pp. 77. and 85.

EPISTLE. Gal. iv. 1. 7.—Brethren: As long as the heir is a child, he differeth nothing from a servant, though he be Lord of all: but is under tutors and governors, until the time appointed by the father: So we also, when we were children, were serving under the elements of the world. But when the fulness of the time was come. God sent his Son, made of a woman, made under the law: that he might redeem them who were under the law: that he might receive the adoption of sons. And because you are sons, God hath sent the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying: Abba, Father. Therefore now he is not a servant, but a Son. And if a son, an heir also through God.

GRAD. Ps. xliv. and xcii.—Thou art beautiful above the sons of men: grace is poured abroad in thy lips. V. My heart hath uttered a good word, I speak my works to the King. My tongue is the pen of a scrivener that writeth swiftly. Alleluia, Alleluia.

V. The Lord hath reigned, he clothed himself with beauty: he hath
rem induit: induit Doclothed strength, and armed him- pracinxit se virtute. Alself with might. Alleluia. leluia.

Alleluia, Alleluia, V. himself with minus fortitudinem

GOSPEL. Luke ii. 33. 40.—At that time: Joseph, and Mary the mother of Jesus, were wondering at those things which were spoken concerning him. And Simon blessed them, and said to Mary his Mother: Benold the child is set for the fall, and for the resurrection of many in Israel, and for a sign which shall be contradicted. And thy own soul a sword shall pierce, that out of many hearts thoughts may be revealed. And there was one Anna a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asar; she was far advanced in years, and had lived with her husband seven years from her virginity. And she was a widow until fourscore and four years: who departed not from the temple, by fastings and prayers serving day and night. Now she at the same hour coming in, confessed to the Lord; and spoke of him to all that looked for the redemption of Israel. And after they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord they returned into Galilee, to their city, Nazareth. And the child grew and waxed strong, full of wisdom; and the grace of God was in him.

OFFERT. Ps. xcii.—God hath established the world which shall not be moved; thy throne O God, is prepared from of old; thou art from everlasting.

SECRET.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that this sacrifice offered to thy Divine Majesty, may obtain for us the grace of true devotion, and a happy eternity. Thro'.

COMM. Matt. ii.—Take the child and his mother, and go into the land of Israel; for they are dead who sought the life of the child.

P. COMM. Per hujus.—May the efficacy of this sacrament, O Lord, cleanse us from our sins, and obtain for us the accomplishment of our just desires. Thro'.

THE CIRCUMCISION...

INTROIT. Isaias. ix.—Puer natus est, p. 76.

COLLECT. Deus, qui salutis.—O God, who by the fruitful virginity of the blessed Mary, hast given mankind the rewards of eternal salvation: grant, we beseech thee, that we may experience her intercession, through whom we deserved to receive the Author of Life, our Lord Jesus Christ thy Son, who,

EPISTLE. Tit. ii.—As in p. 72.

GRAD. Ps. xcvii.—All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God: sing joyfully to the Lord all the earth. V. The Lord hath made known his salvation: he hath revealed his justice in the sight of the Gentiles. Alleluia. V. A sanctified day hath shone upon us: come, ye Gentiles, and adore the Lord, for this day a great light is come down upon the earth. Alleluia, Alleluia.

V. God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spoke in times past to our Fathers by the prophets, last of all in these days hath spoken to us by

V. Heb. i. Multifarié olim Deus loquens patribus in prophetis, novissime diebus istis locutus est nobis in Filio. Alleluia.

his son. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Luke ii. 21.—At that time: After eight days were accomplished that the child should be circumcised: his name was called Jesus, which was called by the angel, before he was conceived in the womb. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. lxxxviii.—Thine are the heavens. and thine is the earth. The world and the fulness thereof thou hast founded, justice and judgment are

the preparations of thy throne.

SECRET. Receive, O Lord, our offerings, and prayers: cleanse us by these heavenly mysteries, and mercifully hear us. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xcvii.—All the ends of the earth

have seen the salvation of our God.

P. COMM. Hac nos.—May this communion, O Lord, cleanse us from sin, and by the intercession of blessed Mary, the virgin-mother of God, make us partakers of thy heavenly remedy. Thro'.

THE EPIPHANY.

INTROIT. Malachi iii. Ps. lxxi. BEhold the Lord the ruler is come: and Rece advenit Dominus: et H 3

dominion, power, and empire are in his hand.

Ps. Give to the king thy judgment, O God, and to the king's son thy justice. filio regis. V. Gloria. V. Glory.

regnum in manu ejus, et potestas et imperium. Ps. Deus, judicium tuum

regi da ; et justitiam tuam

COLL. Deus, qui hodierna.-O God, who by the direction of a star didst this day manifest thy only Son to the Gentiles; mercifully grant that we, who now know thee by faith, may come at length to see the glory of thy Majesty. Thro' the same.

LESSON. Isaias lx. 1. 9.—Arise, be enlightened, O Jerusalem: for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. For behold darkness shall cover the earth, and a mist the people: but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee. And the Gentiles shall walk in thy light, and kings in the brightness of thy rising. Lift up thy eyes round about and see: all these are gathered together, they are come to thee, thy sons shall come from afar, and thy daughters shall rise up at thy side. Then shalt thou see and abound, and thy heart shall wonder and be enlarged, when the multitude of the sea shall be converted to thee, the strength of the Gentiles shall come to thee. The multitude of camels shall cover thee, the dromedaries of Madian and Epha: all they from Saba shall come, bringing gold and frankincense, and shewing forth praise to the Lord.

Is. lx. Matt. ii.—All shall come from Saba, bringing gold and frankincense, and publishing the praises of the Lord. Arise, be enlightened O Jerusalem: for the glory of the Lord is risen upon

thee. Alleluia, Alleluia.

V. We saw his star in the east: and are come with our offerings to adore the Lord. Alleluia.

V. Vidimus stellam ejus in oriente; et venimus cum muneribus, adorare Dominum. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. ii. 1. 12.—When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Juda, in the days of king Herod, behold there came wise men from the east, to Jerusalem, saying, where is he that is born King of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the east. and are come to adore him. And Herod hearing this was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And assembling together all the chief priests and the scribes of the people he inquired of them where Christ should be born. But they said to him, in Bethlehem of Juda. For so it is written by the prophet. "And thou Bethlehem the land of Juda art not the least among the princes of Juda; for out of thee shall come forth the captain that shall rule my people Israel." Then Herod privately calling the wise men, learned diligently of them the time of the star which appeared to them: and sending them into Bethlehem, said: Go and diligently inquire after the child; and when you have found him, bring me word again, that I also may come and adore him. Who having heard the king, went their way; and behold the star which they had seen in the east went before them, until it came and stood over where the child was. And seeing the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And entering into the house, they found the child with Mary his mother, and falling down they adored him: and opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having received an answer in sleep that they should not return to Herod, they went back another way into their own country. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. lxxi.—The Kings of Tharsis and the Islands shall offer presents: the Kings of the Arabians and of Saba shall bring gifts: and all the kings of the earth shall adore him: all nations shall

serve him.

SECRET. Mercifully look down, O Lord, we beseech thee, on the offerings of thy church: among which gold, frankincense, and myrrh are no longer offered; but what was signified by those offerings is sacrificed and received, Jesus Christ, thy Son our Lord. Who liveth.

COMMUNICANTES.—Being united in communion, and celebrating that most sacred day on which thy only begotten Son, co-eternal with thee in thy glory, appeared in a visible body in the reality of our flesh. Moreover, honouring in the first place the memory of blessed Mary ever a Virgin, &c. p. xxxiv.

COMM.—We have seen his star in the east, and are come with offerings to adore the Lord.

P. COMM. *Præsta*, *quæsumus*.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that our minds may be so purified, as to understand what we celebrate on this great solemnity. Thro'.

I. SUNDAY after EPIPHANY. INTROIT. Is. vi. Ps. xcix.

I Saw a man seated on a high throne, whom a multitude of angels adored, singing all together: Behold him, whose name and empire are to last forever. Ps. Sing joyfully to God, all the earth: serve ye the Lord with gladness. V. Glory.

Nexcelso throno vidi sedere virum, quem adorat multitudo Angelorum psallentes in unum: Ecce cujus imperii nomen est in aternum.

Ps. Jubilate Deo omnis terra: servite Domino in lætitia. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Vota quæsumus.—According to thy divine mercy, O Lord, receive the vows of thy people, who pour forth their prayers to thee; that they may know what their duty requireth of them, and be able to comply with what they know. Thro. Here, and at the Secret, and Postcommunion, is made

a Commemoration of the Epiphany, by the Collect, &c. of that Feast, p. 90. &c.

EPISTLE. Rom. xii. 1. 5.—Brethren: I beseech you, by the mercy of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, pleasing unto God, your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be reformed in the newness of your mind, that you may prove what is the good, and the acceptable, and the perfect will of God. For I say, by the grace that is given me, to all that are among you, not to be more wise than it behoveth to be wise, but to be wise unto sobriety, and according as God hath divided to every one the measure of faith. For as in one body we have many members, but all the members have not the same office: so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members of one another, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

GRAD. Ps. lxxi.—Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel, who alone hath done great wonders from the beginning. V. Let the mountains receive peace for thy people, and the hills righteousness. Alleluia.

V. Sing joyfully to the V. Jubilate Deo omnis Lord all the earth, and terra: servite Domino in serve ye the Lord with latitia. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Luke. ii. 42. 52.—When Jesus was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem according to the custom of the feast. And having fulfilled the days, when they returned, the child Jesus remained in Jerusalem, and his parents knew it not. And thinking that he was in the company, they came a day's journey, and sought him among their kinsfolks and acquaintance. And not finding him, they returned into Jerusalem seeking him. And it came to pass, that after three days they found him in the temple sitting in the midst of the doctors, hearing

them, and asking them questions. And all that heard him, were astonished at his wisdom and his answers. And seeing him, they wondered. And his mother said to him: Son, why hast thou done so

vi? Behold thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing. And he said to them: How is it that you sought me? Did you not know that I must be about my father's business? And they understood not the word that he spoke unto them. And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth: and was subject to them. And his mother kept all these words in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom, and age, and grace with God and men. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. xcix.—Sing joyfully to the Lord, all the earth, serve ye the Lord with gladness: present yourselves to him with transports of joy, for the Lord is God.

SECRET. May the sacrifice we have offered to thee, O Lord, always enliven and defend us. Thro'.

COMM. Luke ii.—Son, why hast thou done so with us? I and thy father have sought thee with sorrow. And why did you seek me? Did you not know that I must be about the concerns of my Father?

P. COMM. Supplices.—Grant we humbly beseeth thee, O Almighty God, that those whom thou refreshest with thy sacraments, may, by a life wellpleasing to thee, worthily serve thee. Thro'.

II. SUNDAY after EPIPHANY.

The FEAST of the HOLY NAME JESUS. INTROIT. Phil. ii. Ps. viii.

A'T the name of Jesus let every knee bend in heaven, on earth, and under the earth: and every tongue confess that the

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IN nomine Jesu omne genu flectatur cælestium, terrestrium et infernorum: et omnis lingua confiteatur, quia Dominus Jesus Lord Jesus Christ is in the glory of God the Father. Ps. O Lord our Lord, how wonderful is thy name over the whole earth. V. Glory.

Christus in gloria est Des Patris. Ps. Domine Dominus noster, quam admirabile est nomen tuum in universa terra. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Deus qui.—O God, who didst appoint thy only begotten Son the Saviour of mankind, and commandest that his name should be called JESUS: mercifully grant, that we who venerate his holy name on earth, may also enjoy his sight in heaven. Thro.

COLLECT of the Sunday. Omnipotens.—O almighty and eternal God, supreme Ruler, both of heaven and earth, mercifully give ear to the prayers of thy people, and grant us peace in our time. Thro'.

LESSON. Acts iv. 8. 12.—In those days: Peter being filled with the Holy Ghost, said to them: Ye princes of the people and ancients, hear: if we this day are examined concerning the good deed done to the infirm man, by what means he hath been made whole, be it known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God hath raised from the dead, even by him this man standeth here before you whole. "This is the stone which was rejected by you the builders which is become the head of the corner:" neither is there salvation in any other. For there is no other name under heaven given to men whereby we must be saved.

GRAD. Ps. cv.—Save us, O Lord our God, and gather us from amidst the nations, that we may give thanks to thy holy name, and may glory in thy praise. V. Is. vi. Thou Lord art our Father and Redeemer.

V. My mouth shall V. Laudem Domini lopublish the praises of the quetur os meum, et beneLord: and let all flesh dicat omnis caro nomen bless his holy name. Alel. sanctum ejus. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima, instead of the foregoing V. and Alleluia, is said the

TRACT. Domine Deus virtutum converte nos, et ostende faciem tuam, et salvi erimus: sonet vox tua in auribus meis. Convert us to thee, O Lord God of Hosts: shew thy face, and we shall be saved: let thy voice sound in my ears.

V. For sweet is thy voice, and very beautiful is thy countenance. V. Thy name, O Jesus! is as a sweet perfume; therefore have virgins loved thee.

GOSPEL. Luke ii. As p. 89.

OFFERT. Ps. lxxxvi.—I will praise thee, O Lord my God, with my whole heart, and I will give glory to thy name for ever: because, O Lord thou art good and gracious, and full of mercy towards all

that call upon thee. Alleluia.

SECRET. May thy blessing, O most merciful God, by which every creature is enlivened and subsists, sanctify this our sacrifice, which we offer thee in honour of the name of thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ: that it may be acceptable to the praise of thy majesty, and available to our salvation. Thro' the same.

SECRET of the Sunday. Sanctify, O Lord, our offerings, and cleanse us from the stains of our sins. Thro'.

PREFACE. Quia per incarnati, p. xxx.

COMM. Ps. lxxxv.—All the nations thou hast made shall come and adore before thee, O Lord, and they shall glorify thy holy name, for thou art great and dost wonderful things. Thou art God alone. Allehuia.

P. COMM. Omnipotens.—O almighty and eternal God who didst both create and redeem us, mercifully hear our prayers, and vouchsafe, with a pleasing and kind countenance, to receive the sacrifice

of this victim of our salvation, which we have ofter ed to thy divine majesty, in honor of the name of thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ; that thy grace being poured on us, thro' the glorious name of Jesus, as a pledge of our eternal predestination, we may rejoice that our names are written in heaven. Thro' the same.

P. COMM. of the Sunday. Augestur.—May the efficacy of thy power, O Lord, be increased in us, that being fed with thy divine sacraments, we may, thro' thy bounty, be prepared to receive what they promise. Thro'.

The following (being the Gospel of the Sunday) is read at the end of Mass.

GOSPEL. John ii. 1. 11.—At that time: There was a marriage in Cana of Galilee: and the mother of Jesus was there. And Jesus also was invited, and his disciples, to the marriage. And the wine failing, the mother of Jesus saith to him: They have no wine. And JESUS saith to her: Woman, what is it to me and to thee? My hour is not yet come. His mother saith to the waiters: Whatsoever he shall say to you, do ye. Now there were set there six water pots of stone, according to the manner of the purifying of the Jews, containing two or three measures apiece. JESUS saith to them: Fill the water-pots with water. And they filled them up to the brim. And JESUS saith to them: Draw out now, and carry to the chief steward of the feast. And they carried it. And when the chief steward had tasted the water made wine, and knew not whence it was, but the waiters knew who had drawn the water; the chief steward calleth the bridegroom, and saith to him: Every man at first setteth forth good wine, and when men have well drank, then that which is werse. But thou hast kept the good wine until now. This beginning of miracles did JESUS in Cana of Galilee:

and he manifested his glory, and his disciples believed in him. Deo gratias.

III, SUNDAY after EPIPHANY. INTROIT. Ps. xcvi.

A DORE God, all you A DORATE Deum, his angels: Sion A omnes angeli ejus: A his angels: Sion heard and was glad, and hath reigned, let the earth rejoice, let many sulæ multæ. islands be glad.

audivit et lætata est Sron: the daughters of Juda re-joiced. Ps. The Lord Ps. Dominus regnavit, exultet terra, lætentur in-V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Omnipotens .- O almighty and eternal God, mercifully regard our weakness, and stretch forth the right hand of thy majesty to protect us. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Rom. xii. 16.—Brethren: Be not wise in your own conceits. To no man rendering evil for evil. Providing good things not only in the sight of God, but also in the sight of all men. If it be possible, as much as in you, having peace with all men. Not revenging yourselves, my dearly beloved, but give place unto wrath. For it is written: "Revenge to me, I will repay," saith the Lord. But "if thy enemy be hungry, give him to eat: if he thirst, give him to drink: for doing this, thou shall heap coals of fire on his head." Be not overcome by evil, but overcome evil by good.

GRAD. Ps. ci. and xcvi.-The Gentiles shall fear thy name, O Lord: and all the kings of the Sion, and he shall be seen in his glory. Alleluia, Alleluia.

V. Ps. The Lord hath reigned let the earth rejoice: let many islands he glad. Allelvia.

V. Ps. xcvi. Dominus regnavit, exultet terra: lætentur insulæ multæ. Alleuia.

GOSPEL. Matt. viii. 1. 15.— At that time: When Jesus was come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed him: and behold a leper came and adored him, saying: Lord, if thou wilt thou canst make me clean. And Jesus stretching forth his hand, touched him, saying: I will, be thou made clean. And forthwith his leprosy was cleansed. And Jesus saith to him: See thou tell no man: but go shew thyself to the priest, and offer the gift which Moses commanded for a testimony unto them. *And when he had entered into Cauharnaum, there came to him a Centurion, beseeching nim, and saying: Lord my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, and is grievously tormented. Jesus saith to him: I will come and heal him. the Centurion making answer said: Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst enter under my roof: but only say the word, and my servant shall be healed. For I also am a man under authority, having under me soldiers, and I say to this, Go, and he goeth, and to another, Come, and he cometh, and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it. And when Jesus heard this, he marvelled: and said to them that followed him: Amen I say to you, I have not found so great faith in Israel. And I say unto you, that many shall come from the east and the west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven: but the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into the exterior darkness. there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. And Jesus said to the Centurion: Go, and as thou hast oelieved, so be it done to thee. And the servant was healed at the same hour.

OFFERT. Ps. cxvii.—The right hand of the Lord hath wrought strength: the right hand of the Lord hath exalted me: I shall not die, but live and shall declare the works of the Lord.

SECRET. May this offering, O Lord, we beseech thee, cleanse away our sins: and sanctify the bodies and souls of thy servants, to prepare them for worthily celebrating this sacrifice. Thro'.

COMM. Luke iv. 22.—All wondered at the

words that came from the mouth of God.

P. COMM. Quos tantis.—We beseech thee, O Lord, that we, to whom thou vouchsafest the use of these great mysteries, may be made truly worthy to receive the benefits thereof. Thro'.

IV. SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY.

The Introit, Gradual Offertory, and Communion, as on last Sunday, are continued till Septuagesima.

COLLECT. Deus qui.

O GOD, who knowest that thro' human frailty
we are not able to subsist amidst so many dangers, grant us health of soul and body; that whatsoever we suffer for our sins, we may overcome by
thy assistance. Thro'.

After Candlemas the II. Collect (A cuncis) p. xxi. with its Secret, p. xxvii. and Postcom. p. xliv. is continued till Passion Sunday: the III. (except from Ash-Wednesday to Passion Sunday) is at

the choice of the Priest.

EPISTLE. Rom. xiii. 8. 10.—Brethren: Owe no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth his neighbour, hath fulfilled the law. For "Thou shalt not commit adultery: Thou shalt not kill: Thou shalt not steal: Thou shalt not bear false witness: Thou shalt not covet:" and if there be any other commandment, it is comprised in this word: "Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself." The love of our neighbour worketh no evil. Love therefore is the fulfilling of the law.

GOSPEL. Matt. viii. 23. 27.— At that time: When Jesus entered into a boat his disciples

followed him; and behold a great tempest arose in the sea, so that the ship was covered with waves, but he was asleep. And his disciples came to him, and awakened him saying: Lord, save us, we perish. And Jesus saith to them: Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith? Then rising up, he commanded the winds and the sea, and there came a great calm. But the men wondered, saying: What manner of man is this, for the winds and the sea obey him. Caedo.

SECRET. Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that the offering of this sacrifice may always cleanse our frailty from all evil, and be a protection to us. Thro'.

P. COMM. Munera tua.—May thy gifts, which we have partaken of, O God, detach us from all earthly pleasures, and ever refresh and strengthen us with heavenly food. Thro'.

V. SUNDAY after EPIPHANY.

COLLECT. Familiam.—Preserve, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy family by thy constant mercy, that we, who confide solely in the support of thy heavenly grace, may be always defended by thy protection. Thro'.

per enteres as the elect of God, holy, and beloved, the bowels of mercy, benignity, humility, modesty, patience: bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if any have a complaint against another. Even as the Lord hath forgiven you, so you also. But above all these things have charity, which is the bond of perfection: and let the peace of Christ rejoice in your hearts, wherein also you are called in one body: and be ye thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you abundantly, in all wisdom: teaching and admonishing one another

in psalms, hymns, and spiritual canticles, singing in grace in your hearts to God. All whatsoever you do in word or in work, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, giving thanks to God and the Father, thro' Jesus Christ our Lord.

GOSPEL. Matt. xiii. 24. 30.—At that time: Jesus spoke this parable to the multitude, saying: The kingdom of heaven is likened to a man that sowed good seed in his field. But while men were asleep, his enemy came and oversowed cockle among the wheat, and went his way. And when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared also the cockle. Then the servants of the good man of the house came and said to him: Sir, didst thou not sow good seed in thy field? from whence then hath it cockle? And he said to them: An enemy hath done this. And the servants said to him: Wilt thou that we go and gather it up? And he said: No, lest while you gather up the cockle, you root up the wheat also together with it. Let both grow until the harvest, and in the time of the harvest I will say to the reapers: Gather up first the cockle, and bind it in bundles to burn, but gather the wheat into my barn.

SECRET. We offer thee, O Lord, this sacrifice of propitiation: that thou wouldst mercifully forgive us our sins, and guide our tottering hearts. Thro'.

P. COMM. Quasumus.—We beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we may one day receive the effects of that salvation, of which we have received the pledge in these mysteries. Thro'.

VI. SUNDAY after EPIPHANY.

COLLECT. Prasta.—Grant, we beseech thee. O Almighty God, that being always intent upon what is reasonable and just, we may, both in word and deed, perform what is acceptable to thee. Thro'

EPISTLE. 1 Thess. i. 2. 10 .-- Brethren: We give thanks to God always for you all: making a remembrance of you in our prayers without ceasing; being mindful of you in the work of your faith, and hope and charity, and of the enduring of the hope of our Lord Jesus Christ, before God and our Father: knowing, brethren beloved of God, your election: For our gospel hath not been to you in word only but in power also, and in the Holy Ghost, and in much fulness, as you know what man ner of men we have been among you for your sakes. And you became followers of us, and of the Lord. receiving the word in much tribulation, with joy of the Holy Ghost: so that you were made a pattern to all that believe in Macedonia and in Achaia. For from you was spread abroad the word of the Lord, not only in Macedonia and in Achaia, but also in every place your faith, which is towards God, is gone forth, so that we need not to speak any thing. For they themselves relate of us, what manner of entering in we had unto you; and how you turned to God from idols, to serve the living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven (whom he raised up from the dead) Jesus, who hath delivered , us from the wrath to come.

GOSPEL. Matt. xiii. 31. 35.—At that time: Jesus spoke to the multitude this parable: The kingdom of heaven is like to a grain of mustard-seed, which a man took and sowed in his field. Which indeed is the least of all seeds: but when it is grown up, it is greater than all herbe, and becometh a tree, so that the birds of the air come and dwell in the branches thereof. Another parable he spoke to them: the kingdom of heaven is like to leaven, which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal, until the whole was leavened. All these things Jesus spoke in parables to the multitudes; and

without parables he did not speak to them: that the word might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying: "I will open my mouth in parables, I will utter things hidden from the foundation of the world." CREDO.

SECRET. May this oblation, O God, we beseech thee, cleanse, renew, govern and protect us.

P. COMM. Calestibus.—Being fed, O Lord, with heavenly dainties, we beseech thee, that we may always hunger after them, as they preserve our life. Thro.'

If there be not VI. Sundays between the Epiphany and Septuagesima, what remains are omitted, and taken in between the XXIII. and the last Sunday after Pentecost.

SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY. INTROIT. Ps. xvii.

THE groans of death, surrounded me: and the sorrows of hell encompassed me: and in my affliction I called upon the Lord, and he heard my voice from his holy temple. Ps. I will love thee, O. Lord, my strength: the Lord is my firmament my refuge, and my deliverer. V. Glory.

CIrcumdederunt me gemitus mortis, dolores
inferni circumdederunt
me: et in tribulatione mea
invocavi Dominum, et exaudivit de templo sancto
suo vocem meam. Ps. Diligam te Domine, fortitudo mea: Dominus firmamentum meum et refugium
meum, et liberator meus.
V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Preces.—Mercifully hear, we beseech thee, O Lord, the prayers of thy people: that we who are justly afflicted for our sins, may be mercifully delivered for the glory of thy name. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 1 Cor. ix. 24. and x. 1.—Brethren: . Know you not that they that run in the race, all run indeed, but one receiveth the prize? So run that you may obtain. And every one that striveth for the mastery, refraineth himself from all things: and they indeed that they may receive a corruptible crown: but we an incorruptible one. I therefore so run, not as at an uncertainty: I so fight, not as one beating the air: but I chastise my body, and bring it into subjection: lest perhaps, when I have preached to others, I myself should become a castaway.-Chap. x. 1. 5. For I would not have you ignorant, brethren, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea. And all in Moses were baptized in the cloud, and in the sea. and did all eat the same spiritual food: and all drank the same spiritual drink: (and they drank of the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ.) But with the most of them God was not well pleased.

GRAD. Ps. ix.—A helper in due time in tribulation.—Let them trust in thee who know thee: for thou hast not forsaken them that seek thee O Lord. V. For the poor man shall not be forgotten to the end: the patience of the poor man shall not perish for ever. Arise, O Lord, let not man prevail.

TRACT. Ps. cxxix.—De profundis clamavi ad te, Domine; Domine, exaudi vocem meam. Out of the depths I have cried to thee, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice. V. Let thy ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication. V. If thou, O Lord, with thee there is merciful forgiveness: and by reason of thy Law, I have waited for thee, O Lord.

From this day till Ash-Wednesday, the Tract is said on Sundays and Festivals only.

GOSPEL. Matt. xx. 1. 16.—At that time: Jesus spoke to his disciples this parable: The kingdom of heaven is like to a householder who went out early in the morning to hire labourers into his vineyard. And when having agreed with the labourers for a penny

a day, he sent them into his vineyard. And going out about the third hour, he saw others standing in the market place idle. And he said to them: Go you also into my vineyard, and I will give you what shall be just. And they went their way. And again he went out about the sixth and the ninth hour, and did in like manner. But about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing, and he saith to them: Why stand you here all the day idle? They say to him: Because no man hath hired us. He saith to them: Go you also into my vineyard. And when evening was come, the Lord of the vineyard said to his steward: Call the labourers and pay them their hire, beginning from the last even to the first. When therefore they were come, that came about the eleventh hour, they received every man a penny. But when the first also came, they thought that they should have received more: and they also received every man a penny. And receiving it they murmured against the master of the house, saying: These last have worked but one hour, and thou hast made them equal to us that have borne the burden of the day, and the heats. But he answering said to one of them, Friend, I do thee no wrong: didst thou not agree with me for a penny? Take what is thine, and go thy way: I will also give to this last even as to thee. Or, is it not lawful for me to do what I will? Is thy eye evil, because I am good? So shall the last be first, and the first last. For many are called, but few chosen. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. 91.— It is good to give praise to the Lord, and to sing to thy name, O Most High.

SECRET. Having received, O Lord, our offerings and prayers, cleanse us, we beseech thee, by these heavenly mysteries, and mercifully hear us.

COMM. Ps. 30.-Make thy face to shine upon

thy servant; save me in thy mercy. Let me not be

confounded, for I have called upon thee.

P. COMM. Fideles .- May thy faithful, O God, be strengthened by these thy mysteries; that receiving them, they may still desire them; and desiring them may eternally receive them. Thro'.

SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY.

INTROIT. Ps. xliii.

ARISE, why sleepest thou, O Lord? Arise, and cast us not off to the end. Why turnest thou thy face away? and forgettest our tribulation. Our belly cleaveth to the earth: Arise, O Lord, help us, and deliver us. Ps. We have heard. O God, with our ears: \audivimus: Patres nostri our fathers have declared to us thy wonders. V. Glory.

TXurge, quare obdor-La mis, Domine? Exurge, et ne repellas in finem. Quare faciem tuam avertis? Oblivisceris tribulationem nostram? Adhæsit in terra venter noster: Exurge, Domine, adjuva nos, et libera nos. Ps. Deus, auribus nostris annuntianerunt nobis.

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Deus qui.—O God, who seest that we place no confidence in any thing we do: mercifully grant that, by the protection of the Doctor of the Gentiles, we may be defended against all adversitv. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 2 Cor. xi. 19. 33. and xii. 1. 9.—Brethren: You gladly suffer the foolish: whereas yourselves are wise. For you suffer if a man bring you into bondage, if a man devour you, if a man take from you, if a man be lifted up, if a man strike you on the face. I speak according to dishonour, as if we had been weak in this part. Wherein if any man dare (I speak foolishly) I dare also. They are Hebrews so am I. They are Israelites: so am I. They are the seed of Abraham: so am I. They are the ministers of Christ (I speak as one less wise) I am more: in many more labours, in prisons more frequently, in stripes above measure, in deaths often. Of the Jews five times did I receive forty stripes, save Thrice was I beaten with rods, once I was stoned, thrice I suffered shipwreck; a night and a day I was in the depth of the sea. In journeying often, in perils of waters, in perils of robbers, in perils from my own nation, in perils from the Gentiles, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea, in perils from false brethren. In labour and painfulness, in much watchings, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness. Besides these things which are without: my daily instance, the solicitude for all the churches. Who is weak, and I am not weak? Who is scandalized, and I am not on fire? If I must needs glory: I will glory of the things that concern my infirmity. The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is blessed for ever, knoweth that I lie not. At Damascus the governor of the nation under Aretas the king guarded the city of the Damascenes, to apprehend me: and through a window in a basket was I let down by the wall, and so escaped his hands. [Chap. xii. 1.] If I must glory (it is not expedient indeed:) but I will come to the visions and revelations of the Lord. I know a man in Christ about fourteen years ago, (whether in the body I know not, or out of the body, I know not, God knoweth.) such a one rapt even to the third heaven. And I know such a man (whether in the body, or out of the body. I cannot tell: God knoweth) how he was caught up into paradise; and heard secret words, which is not granted to man to utter. For such a one I will glory; but for myself I will glory nothing, but in my infirmities. For though I should have a mind to glory, I shall not be foolish: for I will say

the truth. But I forbear, lest any man should think of me above that which he seeth in me, or any thing he heareth from me. And lest the greatness of the revelations should lift me up, there was given me a sting of my flesh, an angel of Satan, to buffet me. For which thing I thrice besought the Lord, that it might depart from me: and he said to me: My grace is sufficient for thee: for power is made perfect in infirmity. Gladly therefore will I glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may dwell in me.

GRAD. Ps. lxxxii.—Let the Gentiles know that God is thy name: thou alone art the Most High over all the earth. V. O my God, make them like a wheel; and as stubble before the wind.

TRACT. Ps. lix.—Commovisti, Domine, terram, et conturbasti eam. Thou hast moved the earth, O Lord, and hast troubled it. V. Heal the breaches thereof for it is moved. V. That they may flee from before the bow: that thy elect may be delivered.

Luke viii. 4. 16.—At When a very great multitude was gathered together and hastened out of the cities to meet Jesus, he spoke by a similitude. A sower went out to sow his seed: and as he sowed some fell by the way side, and it was trodden down, and the fowls of the air devoured it. And other some fell upon a rock; and as soon as it was sprung up, it withered away because it had no moisture. And other some fell among thorns, and the thorns growing up with it, choked it. And other some fell upon good ground; and sprung up, and yielded fruit a hundred-fold. Saying these things he cried out: He that hath ears to hear, let him hear. And his disciples asked him what this parable might be. To whom he said: To you it is given to know the mystery of the kingdom of God; but to the rest in parables: that seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. And they by the way side, are they that hear, then the devil cometh, and taketh the word out of their hearts, lest believing they should be saved. Now they upon the rock, are they who when they hear, receive the word with joy: and these have no roots; for they believe for awhile, and in time of temptation fall away. And that which fell among thorns, are they who have heard, and going their way, are choked with the cares and the riches and pleasures of this life, and yield no fruit. But that on the good ground, are they who in a good and perfect heart, hearing the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit in patience.

OFFERT. Ps. xvi.—Perfect thou my goings in thy paths: that my footsteps be not moved: O incline thy ear unto me and hear my words. Shew forth thy wonderful mercies: who saveth them that

hope in thee O Lord.

SECRET. May the sacrifice we have offered to thee, O Lord, always enliven us and defend us. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xlii.—I will go up to the altar of

God, to God, who rejoiceth my youth.

P. COMM. Supplices.—Grant, we humbly besech thee, O Almighty God, that those whom thou refreshest with thy sacraments, may, by a life well pleasing to thee, worthily serve thee. Thro'.

QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY.

INTROIT. Ps. xxx.

BE thou unto me a God a protector, and a house of refuge, to save me: for thou art my strength, and my refuge; and for thy name's ESTO miki in Deum. Protectorem, et ir locum refugii, ut salvum me facias: quoniam firmamentum meum, et refugium meum es tu; et

sake thou wilt lead me, and nourish me. Ps. In thee, O Lord, have I hoped, let me never be confounded: deliver me in thy justice and rescue me. V. Glory.

propter nomen trum dux mihi eris, et enutries me. Ps. In te, Domine, speravi, non confundar in æternum; in justitia tua libera me, et eripe me. V. Gloria.

COLL. Preces.—Mercifully hear our prayers, we beseech thee, O Lord, and being freed from the chains of our sins, preserve us from all adversity Thro?

EPISTLE. 1 Cor. xiii. 1. 13.—Brethren: If I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal. And if I should have prophecy, and should know all mysteries, and all knowledge, and if I should have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing. And if I should distribute all my goods to feed the poor, and if I should deliver my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing. Charity is patient, is kind: Charity envieth not, dealeth not perversely: it is not puffed up, it is not ambitious, seeketh not her own, is not provoked to anger, thinketh no evil, rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth with the truth: beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. Charity never falleth away: whether prophecies shall be made void, or tongues shall cease, or knowledge shall be destroyed. For we know in part, and we prophesy in part. when that which is perfect is come, that which is in part shall be done away. When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child. But when I became a man, I put away the things of a child. We now see through a glass in a dark manner; but then face to face. Now I know in part: but then I shall know, even as I am known. And now there remain faith, hope, charity, these three: but the greatest of these is churity.

GRAD. Ps. lxxvi.—Thou art God that alone dost wonders: thou hast made thy power known among the nations. V. Thou hast delivered thy people, the children of Israel and Joseph, by the strength of thy arm.

TRACT. Ps. xcix.—Jubilate Deo omnis terra; servite Domino in lactitia. Sing joyfully to God, all the earth: serve ye the Lord with gladness. V. Come in before his presence with joy. Know ye that the Lord he is God. V. He made us; and not we ourselves: we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

GOSPEL. Lake xviii. 31. 43.—At that time: Jesus took unto him the twelve, and said to them. Behold we go up to Jerusalem, and all things shall be accomplished which were written by the prophets concerning the Son of Man. For he shall be delivered to the Gentiles, and shall be mocked, and scourged, and spit upon: and after they have scourged him, they will put him to death, and the third day he shall rise again. And they understood none of these things, and this word was hid from them, and they understood not the things that were said. Now it came to pass, that when he drew nigh to Jericho, a certain blind man sat by the way-side, begging. And when he heard the multitude passing by, he asked what this meant. And they told him that Jesus of Nazareth was passing by. And he cried out: Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me. And they that went before, rebuked him, that he should hold his peace. But he cried out much more: Son of David, have mercy on me. And Jesus standing, commanded

him to be brought unto him. And when he was come near, he asked him, saying: What wilt thou that I do to thee? But he said: Lord, that I may see. And Jesus said to him: Receive thy sight; thy faith hath made thee whole. And immediately he saw, and followed him, glorifying God. And all the people when they saw it, gave praise to God. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. cxviii. — Blessed art thou, O Lord, teach me thy justifications: with my lips have

I pronounced all the judgments of thy mouth.

SECRET. May this offering, we beseech thee, O Lord, cleanse away our sins: and sanctify the bodies and souls of thy servants, to prepare them for worthily celebrating this sacrifice. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. Ixxvii.—They did eat and were filled exceedingly, the Lord gave them their desire: they were not deprived of that which they craved.

P. COMM. Quasumus.—We beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we who have taken this heavenly food, may by it be defended from all adversity.

ASH-WEDNESDAY.

THE ceremony of applying ashes, in the form of a cross, to the heads of the faithful on this day, is a relick of the ancient discipline of the Church which, at the beginning of Lent, subjected public and scandalous sinners to public and canonical penance. The priest, (having first heard their confession, clothed them with sackcloth—laid ashes on their heads, and aprinkled them with holy water) recited aloud over them the seven Penitential Psalms, assisted therein by all the clergy lying prostrate on the ground. After the procession in which they walked bare-foot in the penitential dress above described, they were turned out of the Church, not to be again admitted to assist at the sacred mysteries, till Mannday-Thursday. The Church doors were then shut, and the Mass of the faithful began.

Though public penances are not so frequent as they formerly were, the Council of Trent expressly orders them for public crimes, Sess. xxiv. c 8. de Reform. And the directions given in the Roman Ritual, de Sacram Penii. are: "Let not the priest absolve those who have given public scandal, till they have made public satisfaction, and removed the scandal."

We are therefore to perform this holy ceremony with an humble and contrite soul, with a firm resolution of entering upon penitential practices in order to punish our sins, and to satisfy for them in a manner that may bear some proportion to the enormity of our offences.

THE BLESSING OF THE ASHES. m

ANT. HEAR us, O Lord, for thy mercy is kind: look on us, O Lord, according to the multitude of thy mercies. Ps. Save me, O God: for the waters have reached my soul. V. Glory.

ANT. Hear us, &c. to Ps.

The Lord be with you. R. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.—Omnipotens.

Almighty and eternal God spare those that repent, shew mercy to those that humbly intreat thee: and vouchsafe to send from heaven thy holy angel, to so bless, and so sanctify these ashes, that they may be a wholesome remedy to all who humbly call upon thy holy name, and conscious of their sins, accuse themselves, and deplore their crimes in sight of thy divine Majesty, or humbly and earnestly have recourse to thy sovereign bounty: and grant, by our calling on thy most holy name, that whoever shall be touched by these ashes for the remission of their sins, may receive health of body and defence of soul. Thro?

Let us pray .- Deus, qui non mortem.

O God, who desirest the conversion, and not the death of sinners, graciously consider the weakness of human nature, and mercifully vouchsafe to + bless these ashes, which we design to receive on our heads, in token of our humiliation and to obtain forgiveness: that we, who know that we are but ashes, and must return to dust because of our wickedness, may obtain, through thy mercy, pardon of all our sins, and the recompense promised to penitents. Thro'.

Let us pray.—Deus, qui humiliatione.

God, who art appeased by humiliation, and pacified by satisfaction, incline to our prayers the ears of thy mercy; and pour upon the heads of thy servants, covered with these ashes, the grace of thy blessing; so as both to fill them with the spirit of compunction, and to grant them the effects of their just desires, and when granted to remain stable and untouched for ever. Thro'.

Let us pray .- Omnipotens.

O Almighty and eternal God, who forgavest the Ninivites, when they did penance in sack-cloth and ashes: mercifully grant us so to imitate their penance, that we may obtain pardon of our sins. Thro'. R. Amen.

The Priest having sprinkled the Ashes with Holy Water, saying the Anthem, Asperges, &c. p. xiii. without the Psalm, and fuming them thrice, receives or gives them to himself; then he lays them on the heads of every one, saying to each:

Pr. Remember, O man, that thou art dust, and

shalt return to dust again.

In the meantime, the following Anthems are sung by the Choir.

Ant. Let us change our dress for ashes and sackcloth: let us fast and weep in the presence of the Lord; for our God is very merciful to forgive us our sins.

Ant. The priests, the ministers of the Lord, shall weep between the porch and the altar, and say: Spare, O Lord, O spare thy people, and shut not the mouths of those who praise thee, O Lord.

ANT. Let us amend of the sins we have committed through ignorance: lest suddenly overtaken by the day of our death, we seek for time to do penance, and be not able to find it.* Look down on us, O Lord, and take pity: for we have sinned against thee. V. Help us, O God our Saviour, and deliver us for the glory of thy name, O Lord.* Look down on us, &c. to V. Glory, &c. Look down on us, &c. to V.

The Lord be with thee. R. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.—Concede nobis.

RANT us, O Lord, to begin with holy fasting Our christian warfare; that being to fight against spiritual wickedness, we may be aided therein by temperance. Thro'.

INTROIT. Wisd. xi. Ps. lvi.

THOU, O Lord, hast mercy on all, and hatest none of those things, which thou hast created; thou winkest at the sins of men, to draw them to repentance, and thou pardonest them: because thou art the Lord our God. Ps. Have mercy on me, O God, have mercy on me; for my soul trusteth in thee. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Præsta, Domine.-Grant, O Lord, that thy faithful may enter on this solemn fast with suitable piety, and go through it with unmolested

devotion. Thro'.

After the II. Collect, A cunctis, p. xx. the following, with its Secret and P. COMM. is continued till

Passion-Sunday.

III. COLLECT. Omnipotens.—O Almighty and eternal God, who hast dominion over the living and the dead, and art merciful to all, whom thou knowest will be thine by faith and good works: we humbly beseech thee, that they, for whom we have proposed to offer our prayers, whether this world still retains them in the flesh, or the next world hath already received them divested of their bodies, may,

by the elemency of thine own goodness, and the intercession of thy saints obtain pardon and full remission of their sins. Thro'.

LESSON. Joel ii. 12. 19 .- Thus saith the Lord: Be converted to me with all your heart, in fasting, in weeping, and in mourning. And rend your hearts, and not your garments, and turn to the Lord your God: for he is gracious and merciful, patient and rich in mercy, and ready to repent of the Who knoweth but he will return, and forgive, and leave a blessing behind him, sacrifice and libation to the Lord your God? Blow the trumpet in Sion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly, gather together the people, sanctify the Church, assemble the ancients, gather together the little ones and them that suck at the breasts: let the bridegroom go forth from his bed, and the bride out of the bride-chamber. Between the porch and the altar the priests the Lord's ministers shall weep, and shall say: Spare, O Lord, spare thy people: and give not thine inheritance to reproach, that the heathens should rule over them. Why should they say among the nations: Where is their God? The Lord hath been zealous for his land, and hath spared his people. And the Lord answered and said to his people: Behold I will send you corn, and wine, and oil, you shall be filled with them; and I will no more make you a reproach among the nations: saith the Lord Almighty.

GRAD. Ps. lvi.—Have mercy on me O God, have mercy on me: for my soul hath trusted in thee. V. He hath sent from heaven, and delivered me: he hath made them a reproach that trode upon

me.

*TRACT. Ps. cii. and lxxviii.—Deal not with us, O Lord, according to our sins, which we have committed, nor punish us according to our iniquities. V. Remember not, O Lord, our former iniquities

let thy mercies speedily prevent us, for we are be-come exceeding poor. (At this verse kneel down.) V. Help us, O God our Saviour, and for the glory of thy name O Lord deliver us, and forgive us our sins for thy name's sake.

The above Tract is said every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, till Wednesday in Holy Week, except there be a proper one appointed.

GOSPEL. Matt. vi. 16. 21.—At that time; Jesus said to his disciples: When you fast be not as the hypocrites, sad. For they disfigure their faces, that they may appear to men to fast. Amen I say to you, they have received their reward. But thou, when thou fastest, anoint thy head, and wash thy face: that thou appear not to men to fast, but to thy Father, who is in secret: and thy Father, who seeth in secret, will reward thee. Lay not up for yourselves treasures on earth: where the rust and moth consume, and where thieves break through and steal. But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven: where neither rust nor moth doth consume, and where thieves do not break through, nor steal. For where thy treasure is, there is thy heart also.

OFFERT. Ps. xxix.—I will extol thee, O Lord, for thou hast upholden me: and hast not made my enemies to rejoice over me. O Lord, I have cried to thee, and thou hast healed me.

SECRET. Grant, O Lord, that we may be duly prepared to present these our offerings, by which we celebrate the institution of this venerable mystery. Thro'.

II. ŠECRET. Ordinary, p. xxvii. III. SECRET. O God, to whom alone is known the number of thine elect to be placed in eternal bliss: grant, we beseech thee, by the intercession of all thy saints, that the book of predestination may

contain the names of all those, whom we have undertaken to pray for, as well as those of all the faith ful. Thro'.

PREFACE. Qui corporali jejunio, p. xxx. COMM. Ps. i.—He that meditateth night and day on the law of the Lord shall yield his fruit in due season.

P. COMM. Percepta.—May the mysteries we have received, O Lord, afford us help, that our fasting may be acceptable to thee, and become a remedy Thro'.

II. P. COMM. Mundet .- Ordinary, p. xliv.

III. P. COMM. Purificent.—May the mysteries we have received, purify us, we beseech thee, O Almighty and merciful God: and grant, by the intercession of all thy saints, that this thy sacrament may not increase our guilt to punishment, but be a means of obtaining pardon in order to salvation: may it wash away sin, strengthen our frailty, secure us against the dangers of the world; and procure forgiveness for all the faithful both living and dead Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God. The Prayer, Inclinantes, over the people.

TERCIFULLY look down upon us, O Lord, bowing down before thy divine Majesty, that they who have been refreshed with thy divine mysteries, may always be supported by thy heavenly aid. Thro'.

THURSDAY before the I. Sunday in Lent. INTROIT. Ps. liv.

WHEN I cried out to the Lord, he heard my voice against those who were coming upon ne: he that is before all ages and will be for ever, humbled them: cast thy care on the Lord, and he will feed thee. Ps. Hear, O God, my prayer, and despise not my supplication: be attentive to me and hear me. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Deus, qui culpa.—O God, who by sin art offended, and pacified by repentance, mercifully regard the prayers of thy people, who make supplication to thee: and turn away the scourges of thy anger, which we deserve for our sins. Thro'.

LESSON. Isaias xxxviii. 1. 6.—In those days Ezechias was sick even to death, and Isaias the son of Amos the prophet came unto him, and said to him: Thus saith the Lord: Take order with thy house for thou shalt die, and not live. And Ezechias turned his face towards the wall, and prayed to the Lord, and said: I beseech thee, O Lord, remember how I have walked before thee in truth, and with a perfect heart, and have done that which is good in thy sight. And Ezechias wept with great weeping. And the word of the Lord came to Isaias, saying: Go and say to Ezechias: Thus saith the Lord the God of David thy father: I have heard thy prayer, and I have seen thy tears: behold I will add to thy days fifteen years: And I will deliver thee and this city out of the hands of the king of the Assyrians, and I will protect it. saith the Lord Almighty.

GRAD. Ps. liv.—Cast thy care upon the Lord, and he shall sustain thee: V. When I cried out to the Lord, he heard me, and defended me against those that were coming upon me.

GOSPEL. Matt. viii. from *in the Gospel of the III. Sunday after Epiphany, p. 99.

OFFERT. Ps. xxiv.—To thee, O Lord have I lifted up my soul. O my God: in thee, O my God I put my trust, let me not be ashamed; neither let my enemies laugh at me; for none of them that wair on thee shall be confounded.

SECRET. Hear us, O Lord, we beseech thee, and being appeased by these offerings, grant they

may increase our devotion, and advance our salvation Thro'.

COMM. Ps. l.—Thou wilt accept a sacrifice of righteousness, oblations, and whole burnt-offerings on thy altar, O Lord.

P. COMM. Calestis.—Having partaken of the blessings of these heavenly mysteries, we humbly beseech thee, O Almighty God, that by them we may receive both the sacrament and eternal salvation. Thro.'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Parce.—Spare, O Lord, spare thy people: that having been justly chastised, they may find comfort in thy mercy. Thro'.

FRIDAY before the I. Sunday in Lent. INTROIT. Ps. xxix.

THE Lord hath heard, and hath had mercy on me, the Lord hath become my helper. Ps. I will extol thee, O Lord, for thou hast upheld me: and hast not made my enemies to rejoice over me. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Inchoata jejunia.—Graciously favour us, O Lord, we beseech thee, in the fast we have undertaken; that what we observe outwardly, we may perform with sincere minds. Thro'.

LESSON. 16. lviii. 1. 9.—Thus saith the Lord Goa; Cry, cease not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew my people their wicked doings, and the house of Jacob their sins. For they seek me from day to day, and desire to know my ways, as a nation that hath done justice, and hath not forsaken the judgment of their God: they ask of me the judgments of justice: they are willing to approach to God. Why have we fasted, and thou hast not regarded: why have we humbled our souls, and thou hast not taken notice? Behold, in the day of your

fast, your own will is found, and you exact of all your debtors. Behold you fast for debates and strife, and strike with the fist wickedly. Do not fast as you have done until this day, to make your cry to be heard on high. Is this such a fast, as I have chosen: for a man to afflict his soul for a day? is this it, to wind his head about like a circle, and to spread sackcloth and ashes? wilt thou call this a fast, and a day acceptable to the Lord? Is not this rather the fast that I have chosen? loose the bands of wickedness, undo the bundles that oppress, let them that are broken go free, and break asunder every burden. Deal thy bread to the hungry, and bring the needy and the harbourless into thy house: when thou shalt see one naked, cover him, and despise not thy own flesh. Then shall thy light break forth as the morning, and thy health shall speedily arise, and thy justice shall go before thy face, and the glory of the Lord shall gather thee up. Then shalt thou call, and the Lord shall hear: thou shalt cry, and he shall say; Here I am, for I the Lord thy God am merciful.

GRAD. Ps. xxvi.—One thing have I asked of the Lord, this will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord. V. That I may see the delight of the Lord, and be protected in his holy temple.

* TRACT. Ps. cii.—Deal not, p. 117.

GOSPEL. Matt. v. 43. 48. vi. 1. 4.—At that time; Jesus said to his disciples; You have heard that it hath been said: Thou shalt love thy neighbor, and hate thy enemy. But I say to you, love your enemies, do good to them that hate you: and pray for them that persecute and calumniate you: that you may be the children of your Father who is in heaven, who maketh his sun to rise upon the good and bad, and raineth upon the just and the unjust. For

f you love them that love you, what reward shall you have? do not even the publicans the same? And if you salute your brathren only, what do you do more? do not also the heathens the same. Be you therefore perfect, as also your heavenly Father is perfect. (Chap. vi.) Take heed that you do not your justice before men, to be seen by them: otherwise you shall not have a reward of your Father who is in heaven. Therefore when thou dost an alms deed, sound not a trumpet before thee, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be honoured by men. Amen I say to you they have received their reward. But when thou dost alms, let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doth. That thy alms may be in secret, and thy Father who seeth in secret, will repay thee.

OFFERT. Ps. cxviii.—Preserve my life, O Lord, according to thy promise, that I may know thy commandments.

SECRET. Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that the sacrifice we offer in this holy time of Lent, may render our souls acceptable to thee, and make us more ready in the practice of fasting. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. ii.—Serve ye the Lord with fear: and rejoice unto him with trembling: embrace discipline, lest you perish from the just way.

P. COMM. Spiritum nobis.—Give us, O Lord, the spirit of thy charity, that thou mayest, by thy mercy, make those unanimous, whom thou hast fed with one and the same heavenly bread. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Tuere Domine.—Defend, O Lord, thy people, and mercifully cleanse them from all their sins: for no misfortune can hurt them, if no wickedness rule over them. Thro'.

SATURDAY before the I. Sunday in Lent.

The Introit, Gradual, Tract, Offertory, and Communion, as in the foregoing Mass, p. 121, &c.

COLLECT. Adesto Domine.—Give ear, O Lord, to our prayers, and grant that we may, with true devotion, observe this solemn fast, which was wholesomely instituted for giving health to both our souls and bodies. Thro'.

LESSON. Isaias lviii. 9. 14.—Thus sauth the Lord God: If thou wilt take away the chain out of the midst of thee, and cease to stretch out the finger, and to speak that which is good for nothing. thou shalt pour out thy soul to the hungry, and shalt satisfy the afflicted soul, then shall thy light rise up in darkness, and thy darkness shall be as the noonday. And the Lord will give thee rest continually, and will fill thy soul with brightness, and deliver thy bones, and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a fountain of water, whose waters shall not fail. And the places that have been desolate for ages, shall be built in thee: thou shalt raise up the foundations of generation and generation: and thou shalt be called the repairer of the fences, turning the paths into rest. If thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, from doing thy own will in my holy day, and call the sabbath delightful, and the holy of the Lord glorious, and glorify him, while thou dost not thy own ways, and thy own will is not found, to speak a word: Then shalt thou be delighted in the Lord, and I will lift thee up above the high places of the earth, and will feed thee with the inheritance of Jacob thy father. For the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

GOSPEL. Mark vi. 47. 56.—At that time: When it was late, the ship was in the midst of the sea, and himself alone on the land. And seeing them labou ing in rowing (for the wind was against them)

and about the fourth watch of the night he cometh to them walking upon the sea, and he would have passed by them. But they seeing him walking upon the sea, thought it was an apparition, and they cried out. For they all saw him, and were troubled. And immediately he spoke with them, and said to them: Have a good heart, it is I, fear ye not. And he went up to them into the ship, and the wind ceased. And they were far more astonished within themselves: for they understood not concerning the loaves: for their heart was blinded. And when they had passed over, they came into the land of Genesareth, and set to the shore. And when they were gone out of the ship, immediately they knew him; and running through that whole country, they began to carry about in beds those that were sick, where they heard he was. And whithersoever he entered, into towns, or into villages, or cities, they laid the sick in the streets, and besought him that they might touch but the hem of his garment; and as many as touched him were made whole.

SECRET. Receive, O Lord, the sacrifice, by the immolation of which thou youchsafest to be appeased; and grant, we beseech thee, that being purified by its efficacy, we may offer the affections of our mind well pleasing to thee. Thro'.

P. COMM. Calestis.—Being strengthened, O Lord, by the gift of a heavenly life, we beseech thee, that what is a mystery to us in this life, may help us to obtain that which is eternal. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Fideles .- May thy faithful, O God, be strengthened by thy gifts: that, by receiving them, they may ever hunger after them, and hungering after them, they may have their desires satisfied in the everlasting possession of them. Thro'.

I. SUNDAY IN LENT. INTROIT. Ps. xc.

HE shall cry to me, and I will hear him: I will deliver him and I will glorify him: I will fill him with length of days. Ps. He that dwelleth in the aid of the Most High, shall abide under the protection of the God of heaven. V. Glory.

INvocabit me et ego exaudiam eum Eripiam eum, et glorificabo eum: Longitudine derum adimplebo eum.—
Ps. 90. Qui habitat in adjutorio altissimi, in protectione Dei cæli commorabitur.
V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Deus qui.—O God, who purifiest thy Church by the yearly observation of Lent: grant, that what thy children endeavour to obtain of thee by abstinence, they may put in execution by

good works. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 2 Cor. vi. 1. 10.—Brethren: We exhort you, that you receive not the grace of God in vain. For he saith: "In an acceptable time have I heard thee; and in the day of salvation have I helped thee." Behold, now is the acceptable time: behold now is the day of salvation. Giving no offence to any man, that our ministry be not blamed. but in all things let us exhibit ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience, in tribulation, in necessities, in distresses, in stripes, in prison, in seditions, in labours, in watchings, in fastings, in chastity, in knowledge, in long-suffering, in sweetness, in the Holy Ghost, in charity unfeigned, in the word of truth, in the power of God; by the armour of justice on the right-hand, and on the left: by honour, and dishonour: by evil report, and good report: as deceivers, and yet true: as unknown, and yet known: as dying, and behold we live: as chastised, and not killed: as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing: as needy, yet enriching many: as having nothing, and possessing all things.

GRAD. Ps. xc.—God hath given his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. V. In their hands they shall bear thee up: lest at any time thou

dash thy foot against a stone.

TRACT. Ps. xc.—Qui habitat in adjutorio altissimi, in protectione Dei cali commorabitur. He that dwelleth in the aid of the Most High, shall abide under the protection of the God of heaven. shall say to the Lord, thou art my protector and my refuge: my God, in him will I trust. V. For he hath delivered me from the snare of the hunters: and from their sharp word. V. He will overshadow thee with his shoulders: and under his wings thou shalt trust. V. His truth shall compass thee with a shield a thou shalt not be afraid of the terror of the night. V. Of the arrow that flieth in the day; of the business that walketh in the dark: of ruin, or of the noon-day devil. V. A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand: But it shall not come night hee. V. For he hath given his angels charge over thee; to keep thee in all thy V. In their hands they shall bear thee up: lest thou dash thy foot againt a stone. V. Thou shalt walk upon the asp and the basilisk: and thou shalt trample under foot the lion and the dragon. V. Because he hath hoped in me I will deliver him: I will protect him, because he hath known my name. He shall cry to me, and I will hear him: I am with him in his trouble. V. I will deliver him, and I will glorify him: I will fill han with length of days, and I will shew him my salvation.

GOSPEL. Matt. iv. 1. 11.—At that time: Jesus was led by the spirit into the desert, to be tempted by the Devil. And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterwards hungry. And the tempter coming, said to him: If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread. But he answered and said: It is written.

"Not by bread alone doth man live, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." Then the Devil took him into the holy city, and set him upon a pinnacle of the temple, and said to him: If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down; for it is written: "He hath given his angels charge over thee, and in their hands shall they bear thee up, lest perhaps thou dash thy foot against a stone." Jesus said to him, it is written again, "Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God." Again the Devil took him up into a very high mountain, and shewed him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them, and said to him: All these will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and adore me. Then Jesus said to him: Begone, Satan: for it is written: "The Lord thy God shalt thou adore, and him only shalt thou serve." Then the Devil left him: and behold angels came and ministered to him." CREDO.

ÖFFERT. Ps. xc.—The Lord will overshadow thee with his shoulders: and under his wings thou shalt trust, his truth shall compass thee with a shield.

SECRET. We offer thee, O Lord, in the most solemn manner, this sacrifice at the beginning of Lent, humbly beseeching thee, that as we retrench from the food of our bodies, we may also refrain from all noxious pleasures. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xc.—The Lord will overshadow thee with his shoulders: and under his wings thou shalt trust: his truth shall compass thee with a shield.

P. COMM. Twi nos.—May the holy oblation, O Lord, of thy sacrament, give us a new life, that, by laying aside the old man, it may bring us to the participation of this saving mystery. Thro'.

MONDAY, I. WEEK IN LENT.

INTROIT. Ps. cxxii.

 ${\bf A}^{\,{f S}}$ the eyes of the servants are on the hands of their masters, so are our eyes on the Lord our

God, until he have mercy on us: have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us. Ps. To thee have I lifted up my eyes, who dwellest in heaven. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Converte.—Convert us, O God our Saviour, and instruct our minds with thy heavenly doctrine, that this fast of Lent may be beneficial to us. Thro'.

LESSON. Ezek. xxxiv. 11. 16.—Thus saith the Lord God: Behold I myself will seek my sheep, and will visit them. As the shepherd visiteth his flock, in the day when he shall be in the midst of his sheep that were scattered: so will I visit my sheep, and will deliver them out of all the places where they have been scattered in the cloudy and dark day. And I will bring them out from the peoples, and will gather them out of the countries, and will bring them to their own land: and I will feed them in the mountains of Israel, by the rivers, and in all the habitations of the land: I will feed them in the most fruitful pastures, and their pastures shall be in the high mountains of Israel: there shall they rest on the green grass, and be fed in fat pastures upon the mountains of Israel. I will feed my sheep: and I will cause them to lie down, saith the Lord God. I will seek that which was lost: and that which was driven away, I will bring again: and I will bind up that which was broken, and I will strengthen that which was weak, and that which was fat and strong I will preserve: and I will feed them in judgment, saith the Lord Almighty.

GRAD. Ps. lxxxiii.—Cast an eye upon us, O God, our Protector, look down upon thy servants. V. O Lord God of armies, hear the prayers of thy servants.

* TRACT. Ps. cii. Deal not, p. 117.

GOSPEL. Matt. xxv. 31.—At that time: Jesus

said to his disciples: When the Son of Man shall come in his majesty, and all the angels with him then shall he sit upon the seat of his majesty. And all nations shall be gathered together before him, and he shall separate them one from another, as the shepherd separateth the sheep from the goats: and he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on his left. Then shall the king say to them that shall be on his right hand: Come, ye blessed of my Father, possess the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry, and you gave me to eat: I was thirsty, and you gave me to drink: I was a stranger, and you took me in: naked, and you clothed me: sick, and you visited me: I was in prison, and you came to me. Then shall the just answer him, saying: Lord, when did we see thee hungry, and fed thee: thirsty, and gave thee drink? And when did we see thee a stranger, and took thee in: or naked, and clothed thee? Or when did we see thee sick or in prison, and came to thee? And the king answering shall say to them: Amen I say to you, as long as you have done it to one of these my least brethren, you did it to me. Then shall he say to them also that shall be on his left hand: Depart from me, you cursed, into everlasting fire which was prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry, and you gave me not to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave me not to drink. I was a stranger, and you took me not in: naked, and you clothed me not sick, and in prison, and you did not visit me. Then shall they also answer him, saying: Lord, when did we see thee hungry, or thirsty, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison and did not minister to thee? Then he shall answer them, saying: Amen I say to you, as long as you did it not to one of these least ones, neither did you it to me. And these shall go

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into everlasting punishment, but the just into life everlasting.

OFFERT. Ps. cxviii.—I will lift up my eyes, and consider thy wonders, O Lord, that thou mayest teach me thy law: give me understanding, and I will learn thy commandments.

SECRET. Sanctify, O Lord, the offerings we have made, and cleanse us from the stains of our sins. Thro?

sins. Thro'.

COMM. Matt. xxv.—Verily, I say to you: What you have done to one of the least of mine, you have done to me: come, ye blessed of my Father, take possession of the kingdom prepared for you from the beginning of the world.

P. COMM. Salutaris.—Being filled, O Lord, by the participation of thy saving mysteries, we humbly beseech thee, that as we rejoice in the taste thereof, we may be renewed by their effects. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God. PRAYER. Absolve.—Loosen, O Lord, we beseech thee, the bonds of our sins: and mercifully turn away from us whatever we deserve for them. Thro?

TUESDAY.

INTROIT. Ps. lxxxix.

THOU, O Lord, hast been our refuge from generation to generation: from all eternity, thou art. Ps. Before the mountains were made, or the earth and the world was formed; from eternity to eternity thou art God. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Respice.—Look down, O Lord, on thy children, and grant that, while we chastise ourselves by mortifying the flesh, our minds may be inflamed with the love and desire of thee. Thro'.

LESSON. Is. lv. 6. 11.—In those days: Isaias the prophet spake, saying; Seek ye the Lord while

he may be found; call upon him while he is near. Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unjust man his thoughts, and let him return to the Lord, and he will have mercy on him, and to our God, for he is bountiful to forgive. For my thoughts are not your thoughts: nor your ways my ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are exalted above the earth, so are my ways exalted above your ways, and my thoughts above your thoughts. And as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and return no more thither, but soak the earth and water it, and make it to spring, and give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: so shall my word be which shall go forth from my mouth: it shall not return to me void, but it shall do whatsoever I please, and shall prosper in the things for which I sent it, saith the Lord Almighty.

GRAD. Ps. cxl.—Let my prayer be directed as incense in thy sight, O Lord. V. The lifting up my hands as evening sacrifice.

GOSPEL. Matt. xxi. 10. 17.—At that time: When he was come into Jerusalem, the whole city was moved, saying: Who is this? And the people said: This is Jesus the prophet, From Nazareth of Galilee. And Jesus went into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the money changers, and the chairs of them that sold doves: and he saith to them: It is written, "My house shall be called the house of prayer; but you have made it a den of thieves." And there came to him the blind and the lame in the temple: and he healed them. And the chief priests and scribes seeing the wonderful things that he did, and the children crying in the temple, and saying: "Hosanna to the son of David," were moved with indignation, and said to him. Hearest thou what these say? And Je-

sus said to them: Yea, have you never read: "Out of the mouths of infants and of sucklings thou hast perfected praise?" And leaving them he went out of the city into Bethania, and remained there.

OFFERT. Ps. xxx.—In thee, O Lord, have I hoped: I have said: Thou art my God, the days of

my life are in thy hands.

SECRET. Be appeased, O Lord, with the offerings we have made, and defend us from all danger. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. iv.-When I called thou didst hear me, the God of my justice: when I was in distress thou hast enlarged me: have mercy upon me, O

Lord, and hear my prayer.

P. COMM. Quasumus.—We beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we may one day receive the effects of that salvation, of which we have received the pledge in these mysteries. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Ascendant.—May our prayers, O Lord, ascend to thee, and deliver thy church from all wickedness. Thro'.

EMBER WEDNESDAY. INTROIT. Ps. xxiv.

REmember, O Lord, thy bowels of compassion: and thy mercies that are from the beginning of the world: lest our enemies rule over us: deliver us. O God of Israel, from all our distress: Ps. To thee, O Lord, have I lifted up my soul: in thee, O my God, I put my trust; let me not be ashamed. V. Glorv. After the Kyrie eleison, is said:

Let us pray. Let us kneel down. R. Stand up again.

I. COLLECT. Preces nostras.—Mercifully hear our prayers, O Lord, we beseech thee, and stretch forth the right hand of thy power against every thing that opposeth us. Thro'.

I. I.ESSON. Exod. xxiv. 12. 18.—In those days.

The Lord said to Moses: Come up to me into the mount, and be there: and I will give thee tables of stone, and the law, and the commandments which I have written: that thou mayest teach them. Moses rose up, and his minister Josue: and Moses going up into the mount of God, said to the ancients: Wait ye here till we return to you, you have Aaron and Hur with you: if any question shall rise, you shall refer it to them. And when Moses was gone up, a cloud covered the mount. And the glory of the Lord, dwelt upon Sinai, covering it with a cloud six days, and the seventh day he called him out of the midst of the cloud. And the sight of the glory of the Lord, was like a burning fire upon the top of the mount, in the eyes of the children of Israel. And Moses entering into the midst of the cloud, went up into the mountain: and he was there forty days, and forty nights.

GRAD. Ps.—The troubles of my heart are multiplied: from my necessities deliver me O Lord. V. See my abjection and my labour; and forgive me all

my sins.

II. COLLECT. Devotionem.—We beseech thee, O Lord, mercifully to regard the devotion of thy people: that mortifying their bodies by fasting, their minds may be refreshed by good works. Thro'.

II. LESSON. 3 Kings xix. 3. 8.—In those days Elias came into Bersabee of Juda, and left his servant there. And he went forward one day's journey into the desert. And when he was there, and sat under a juniper tree, he requested for his soul that he might die, and said: It is enough for me, Lord, take away my soul: for I am no better than my fathers. And he cast himself down, and slept in the shadow of the juniper tree: and behold an ange of the Lord touched him and said to him: Arise and eat. And he looked, and behold there was at his head a hearth-cake and a vessel of water: and

ne ate and drank, and he fell asleep again. And the angel of the Lord came again the second time and touched him, and said to him: Arise, eat: for thou hast yet a great way to go. And he arose, and ate and drank, and walked in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights, unto the mount of God.

TRACT. Ps. xxiv.—From my necessities, deliver me O Lord; see my abjection and my labour and forgive me all my sins. V. To thee, O Lord, have I lifted up my soul: in thee, O my God, do I put my trust, let me not be ashamed. Neither let my enemies laugh at me. V. For none of them that wait on thee shall be confounded: let all them be confounded, who do vain things.

GOSPEL. Matt. xii. 38.—At that time: Some of the Scribes and Pharisees answered him, saving . Master, we would see a sign from thee. Who answering said to them: An evil and adulterous generation seeketh for a sign; and a sign shall not be given it, but the sign of Jonas the prophet. For as Jonas was in the whale's belly three days and three nights: so shall the Son of Man be in the heart of the earth three days and three nights. The men of Ninive shall rise in judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it; because they did penance at the preaching of Jonas. And behold a greater than The queen of the south shall rise in judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: because she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon, and behold a greater than Solomon here. When an unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest, and findeth none. Then he saith: I will return into my house, from whence I came out. And coming he findeth it empty, swept, and garnished. Then he goeth, and taketh with him seven other spirits more wicked than himself,

and they enter in and dwell there: and the last state of that man is made worse than the first. So shall it be also to this wicked generation. As he was yet speaking to the multitudes, behold his mother and his brethren stood without, seeking to speak to him. And one said unto him, Behold thy mother and thy brethren stand without seeking thee. But he answering him that told him, said: Who is my mother, and who are my brethren? and stretching forth his hand towards his disciples, he said: Behold my mother and my brethren. For whosoever shall do the will of my Father that is in heaven; he is my brother and sister, and mother.

OFFERT. Ps. exviii.—I will meditate on thy law, which I have loved exceedingly; and I will put in practice thy commandments, which I have loved.

SECRET. We offer thee, O Lord, this sacrifice of propitiation, that thou wouldst mercifully forgive us our sins, and guide our tottering hearts. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. v.—Hear my cry; attend to the voice of my prayer, O my King and my God, for

to thee I will pray, O Lord.

P. COMM. Tui, Domine.—May the receiving of this thy sacrament, O Lord, both cleanse us from our hidden sins, and deliver us from the snares of our enemies. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Mentes.—Enlighten, we beseech thee, O Lord, our minds with the light of thy prightness: that we may discern what is to be done, and be able to do it. Thro.

THURSDAY.

INTROIT. Ps. xcv.

PRAISE and beauty are before him: holiness and majesty in his sanctuary. Ps. Sing to the Lord a new canticle, sing to the Lord all the earth. V. Glory.

COLLECT Devotioned.—We beseech thee, O Lord, mercifully to regard the devotion of thy people; that mortifying their bodies by fasting, their minds may be refreshed by good works. Thro'. LESSON. Ezekiel. xviii. 1. 9.—In those days:

The word of the Lord came to me, saying: What is the meaning that you use among you this parable as a proverb in the land of Israel, saying: The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the teeth of the children are set on edge? As I live, saith the Lord God, this parable shall be no more to you a proverb in Israel. Behold all souls are mine: as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine: the soul that sinneth, the same shall die. And if a man be just, and do judgment and justice, and hath not eaten upon the mountains, nor lifted up his eyes to the idols of the house of Israel, and hath not defiled his neighbour's wife, nor come near to a menstruous woman: and hath not wronged any man, but hath restored the pledge to the debtor, hath taken nothing away by violence: hath given his bread to the hungry, and hath covered the naked with a garment: hath not lent upon usury, nor taken any increase: hath withdrawn his hand from iniquity, and hath executed true judgment between man and man: hath walked in my commandments and kept my judgments, to do according to the truth: he is just, he shall surely live, saith the Lord God.

GRAD. Ps. xvi.—Keep me, O Lord, as the apple of thy eye: protect me under the shadow of thy wings. V. Let my judgment come forth from thy countenance: let thy eyes behold the things that

are equitable.

GOSPEL. Matt. xv. 21. 28.—At that time:

Jesus went from thence, and departed into the coasts of Tyre and Sidon. And behold a woman of Canaan who came out of those coasts, crying out, said to him:

Have mercy on me, O Lord, thou Son of David

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my daughter is grievously troubled by a devil. Who answered her not a word. And his disciples came and besought him, saying: Send her away, for she crieth after us: and he answering, said: I was not sent but to the sheep that are lost of the house of Israel. But she came and adored him, saying: Lord, help me. Who answering said: It is not good to take the bread of the children, and to cast it to the dogs. But she said, Yea, Lord; for the whelps also eat of the crumbs that fall from the table of their masters. Then Jesus answering, said to her: O woman, great is thy faith: be it done to thee as thou wilt: and her daughter was cured from that hour.

OFFERT. Ps. 33.—The angel of the Lord shall encamp around about them that fear him: and shall deliver them: taste and see that the Lord is sweet.

SECRET. We beseech thee, O Lord, that the offerings which accompany this wholesome fast, may, through thy mercy, save us. Thro'.

COMM. John vi. The bread, which I will

give, is my flesh for the life of the world.

P. COMM. Tworum.—By the free grant of these thy gifts, O Lord, augment our temporal, and renew our eternal helps. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Da quesumus.—Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, that all christian people may acknowledge what they profess, and love the heavenly mystery they so often approach. Thro.

EMBER-FRIDAY. INTROIT. Ps. xxiv.

FROM my necessities, deliver me, O Lord: see my abjection and my labour and forgive me, all my sins. Ps. To thee O Lord have I lifted up my soul: in thee O my God, do I put my trust, let me n m be ashamed. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Esto.—Be propitious, O Lord, to thy people, and mercifully strengthen those by thy aid, whom thou fillest with devotion to thee. Thro.

LESSON. Ezekiel xviii. 20, 28 .- Thus saith the Lord: The soul that sinueth, the same shall die: the son shall not bear the iniquity of the father, and the father shall not bear the iniquity of the son: the justice of the just shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him. But if the wicked do penance for all his sins, which he hath committed, and keep all my commandments, and do judgment and justice: living he shall live, and shall not die. I will not remember all his iniquities that he hath done: in his justice which he hath wrought, he shall live. Is it my will that a sinner should die, saith the Lord God, and not that he should be converted from his ways, and live? But if the just man turn himself away from his justice, and do iniquity according to all the abominations, which the wicked man useth to work, shall he live? All his justices which he hath done, shall not be remembered: in the prevarication, by which he hath prevaricated, and in his sin, which he hath committed, in them he shall die. And you have said: The way of the Lord is not right. Hear ye, therefore, O house of Israel: is it my way that is not right, and are not rather your ways perverse? For when the just turneth himself away from his justice. and committeth iniquity, he shall die therein: in the injustice that he hath wrought, he shall die. And when the wicked turneth himself away from his wickedness, which he hath wrought, and doeth judgment and justice, he shall save his soul alive. Because he considereth and turneth away himself from all his iniquites, which he hath wrought, he shall surely live, and not die, saith the Lord Almighty.

GRADUAL. Ps. lxxxv.—Save thy servant, O

my God, that trusteth in thee. V. Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer.

* TRACT. Ps. cii.—Deal not, p. 117.

GOSPEL. John v. 1. 15. — At that time: There was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now there is at Jerusalem a pond, called Probatica, which in Hebrew is named Bethsaida, having five porches. In these lay a great multitude of sick, of blind, of lame, and of withered, waiting for the moving of the water. And the angel of the Lord descended at certain times into the pond; and the water was moved. And he that went down first into the pond after the motion of the water, was made whole of whatsoever infirmity he lay under. And there was a certain man there. that had been eight and thirty years under his infirmity. Him when Jesus had seen lying, and knew that he had been now a long time, he saith to him: Wilt thou be made whole? The infirm man answered him: Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put me into the pond. For whilst I am coming, another goeth down before me. Jesus saith to him: Arise, take up thy bed, and walk. And immediately the man was made whole: and he took up his bed and walked. And it was the Sabbath that day. The Jews therefore said to him that was cured: It is the Sabbath, it is not lawful for thee to take up thy bed. He answered them: He that made me whole, he said to me: Take up thy bed, and walk. They asked him therefore: Who is that man that said to thee: Take up thy bed, and walk? But he that was healed, knew not who it was. For Jesus went aside from the multitude standing in the place. Afterwards Jesus findeth him in the temple, and saith to him: Behold thou art made whole: sin no more, lest some worse thing happen to thee. The man went his way, and told

the Jews that it was Jesus that had made him whole. OFFERT. Ps. cii.-Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all he hath done for thee: and thy

vouth shall be renewed like the eagle's.

SECRET. Receive, O Lord, we beseech thee, the offerings of our homage, and mercifully sanctify thy own gifts. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. vi.-Let all my enemies be ashamed and very much troubled: let them be turned back.

and be ashamed very speedily.

P. COMM. Per hujus .- May the efficacy of this sacrament, O Lord, cleanse us from our sins, and obtain for us the accomplishment of our just desires. Thro'.

Let us pray.
PRAYER. Bow down your heads to God.
PRAYER. Exaudi. — Graciously hear us, O
merciful God, and manifest the light of thy grace to our souls. Thro'.

EMBER-SATURDAY INTROIT. Ps. lxxxvii.

ET my prayer come in before thee, incline thy Lear O'Lord, to my petition. Ps. O Lord the God of my salvation I have cried in the day, and in the night before thee. V. Glory. Immediately after Kyrie eleison, &c. is said:

Let us pray. Let us kneel down. R. Stand up again

I. COLLECT. Populum tuum.—Mercifully, O Lord, look down on thy people, and in thy cle-mency turn away from them the scourges of thy wrath. Thro'.

1. LESSON. Deut. xxvi. 12.—In those days: Moses spoke to the people, saying: When thou hast made an end of tithing all thy fruits, in the third year of tithes thou shalt give it to the Levite, and to the stranger, and to the fatherless, and to the widow, that they may eat within thy gates, and be filled: and thou shalt speak thus in the sight of the

Lord thy God: I have taken that which was sanctified out of my house, and I have given it to the Levite and to the stranger, and to the fatherless and to the widow, as thou hast commanded me: I have not transgressed thy commandments, nor forgotten thy precepts. I have not eat of them in my mourning, nor separated them for any uncleanness, nor spent any thing of them in funerals. I have obeyed the voice of the Lord my God, and have done all things as thou hast commanded me. Look from thy sanctuary, and thy high habitation of hea ven, and bless thy people Israel, and the land which thou hast given us, as thou didst swear to our fathers; a land flowing with milk and honey. This day the Lord thy God hath commanded thee to do these commandments and judgments: and to keep and fulfil them with all thy heart, and with all thy soul. Thou hast chosen the Lord this day to be thy God, and to walk in his ways and keep his ceremonies, and precepts and judgments, and obey his command. And the Lord hath chosen thee this day to be his peculiar people, as he hath spoken to thee, and to keep all his commandments: And to make thee higher than all nations which he hath created, to his own praise, and name, and glory: that thou mayest be a holy people of the Lord thy God, as he hath spoken.

GRAD. Ps. lxxviii.—Forgive us, O Lord, our offences, lest the Gentiles say: Where is now their God? V. Help us, O God, our Saviour, and for

the glory of thy name deliver us, O Lord.

Let us pray. Let us kneel down. R. Stand up again. II. COLLECT. Protector. — Look on us, O God, our protector, that we, who labour under the weight of our own evils, may be rescued by thy mercy and serve thee with a free mind. Thro'.

H. LESSON. Deut. xi. 22, 25.—In those days: Moses said to the children of Israel: If you keep the com-

mandments which I command you, and do them, to rove the Lord your God, and walk in his ways, cleaving unto him, the Lord will destroy all these nations before your face, and you shall possess them which are greater and stronger than you. Every place, that your foot shall tread upon, shall be yours From the desert, and from Libanus, from the great river Euphrates unto the western sea shall be your borders, none shall stand against you; the Lord your God shall lay the dread and fear of you upon all the land that you shall tread upon, as he tath spoken to you.

GRAD. Ps. Ixxxiii.—Behold O God our protector, and look down upon thy servants. V. Lord God of armies, hear the prayers of thy servants.

Let us pray. Let us kneel down. R. Stand up again.

III. COLLECT. Adesto.—Give ear O Lord, we beseech thee, to our prayers; that, through the assistance of thy grace, we may be humble in prosperity, and without fear in adversity. Thro'.

III. LESSON. 2 Machab. i. 23. 27.—In those days: All the priests made prayer, while the sacrifice was consuming, Jonathan beginning, and the rest answering. And the prayer of Nehemias was after this manner: "O Lord God, creator of all things, dreadful, and strong, just, and merciful, who alone art the good king. Who alone art gracious, who alone art just, and almighty, and eternal, who deliverest Israel from all evil, who didst choose the fathers, and didst sanctify them: receive the sacrifice for all thy people Israel, and preserve thy own portion, and sanctify it. Gather together our scattered people, deliver them that are slaves to the Gentiles, and look upon them that are despised and abhorred: that the Gentiles may know that thou art our God."

GRAD. Ps. lxxxix.-Turn to us, O Lord, a

little, and be reconciled with thy servants. V. O Lord thou hast been our refuge from generation to generation.

Let us pray. Let us kneel down. R. Stand up again.

IV. COLLECT. *Preces.*—Mercifully hear, we beseech thee, O Lord, the prayers of thy people: that we, wao are justly afflicted for our sins, may mercifully be delivered for the glory of thy name. Thro'.

IV. LESSON. Eccles. xxxvi. 1. 10.—Have mercy, upon us, O God of all, and behold us, and shew us the light of thy mercies: and send thy fear upon the nations that have not sought after thee; that they may know that there is no God besides thee, and that they may shew forth thy wonders. Lift up thy hand over the strange nations, that they may see thy power. For as thou hast been sanctified in us in their sight, so thou shalt be magnified among them in our presence; that they may know thee, as we also have known thee, that there is no God beside thee, O Lord. Renew thy signs, and work new miracles. Glorify thy hand, and thy right arm. Raise up indignation, and pour out wrath. Take away the adversary, and crush the enemy. Hasten the time, and remember the end, that they may declare thy wonderful works, O Lord our God.

GRAD. Ps. cxl.—Let my prayer be directed as incense in thy sight, O Lord. V. The lifting up my

hands as evening sacrifice.

Let us pray. Let us kneel down. R. Stand up again. V. COLLECT. Actiones.—Prevent, we beseech thee, O Lord, our actions by thy holy inspirations, and carry them on by thy gracious assistance: that every prayer and work of ours may always begin from thee, and by thee be happily ended.

V. Lesson, with the Canticle and VI. Collect, as pp. 66 and 67.

Here are said the II. and III. Collects, as directed in the Mass on Ash-Wednesday p. 116.

EPISTLE. 1 Thess. v. 14. 23.—Brethren: We beseech you rebuke the unquiet, comfort the feebleminded, support the weak, be patient towards all men. See that none render evil for evil to any man: but ever follow that which is good towards each other, and towards all men. Always rejoice. Pray without ceasing. In all things give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you all. Extinguish not the spirit. Despise not prophecies. But prove all things: hold fast that which is good. From all appearance of evil refrain yourselves. And may the God of peace himself sanctify you in all things: that your whole spirit, and soul, and body may be preserved blameless in the coming of our Lord Christ Jesus.

TRACT. Ps. cxvi.—Praise the Lord all ye nations: praise him all ye people. V. For his mercy is confirmed upon us, and the truth of the Lord remaineth for ever.

GOSPEL. Matt. xvii. As in the Mass of to-morrow, p. 147.

OFFERT. Ps. lxxxvii.—O Lord the God of my salvation; I have cried in the day, and in the night let my prayer come in before thee, O Lord.

SECRET. Sanctify, O Lord, we beseech thee, our fast by this holy sacrifice: that what we outwardly profess by the observance of this fast, may be inwardly effected in us. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. vii. O Lord my God in thee, have I put my trust, save me from all them that persecute me, and deliver me.

P. COMM. Sanctificationibus. — May this holy sacrifice, O Lord, cure us of all our sins, and become an eternal remedy to us. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Fideles.—May thy much desired blessing, O God, give strength to thy people: may it him-

der them from ever swerving from thy will, and make them always enjoy thy blessing. Thro:

II. SUNDAY IN LENT. INTROIT. Ps. xxiv.

R Emember, O Lord, thy bowels of compassion; and thy mercies that are from the beginning, of the world. Let not our enemies ever rule over us: deliver us, O God of Israel, from all our distress. Ps. To thee, O Lord, have I lifted up my soul, in thee, O my God, I put my trust; let me not be aslamed. V. Glory.

Reminiscere miserationum tuarum, Domine, et misericordiæ tuæ, quæ a sæculo sunt. Ne unquam dominentur nobis inimici nostri: libera nos, Deus Israel, ex omnibus angusttis nostris.

Ps. Ad te, Domine, levavi animam meam: Deus meus in te confido, non

erubescam. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Deus qui.—O God, who seest how destitute we are of all strength, preserve us both within and without, that our bodies may be free from all adversity, and our souls purified from all evil thoughts. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 1 Thess. iv. 1. 7.—Brethren: We pray and beseech you in the Lord Jesus, that as you have received of us, how you ought to walk and to please God, so also you would walk, that you may abound the more. For you know what precepts I have given to you by the Lord Jesus. For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you should abstain from fornication, that every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour: not in the passion of lust, like the Gentiles that know not God: and that no man over-reach, nor circumvent his brother in business because the Lord is the avenger of all these things, as we have told you before, and have testified. For

God hath not called us, unto uncleanness, but unto sanctification.

GRAD. Ps. xxv.—The distress of my soul is increased, deliver me, O Lord, from the evils that surround me. V. See, O Lord, to what I am reduced: see what I suffer, and forgive me all my sins.

TRACT. Ps. cv.—Confitemini Domino quoniam bonus: quoniam in sæculum misericordia ejus. Give glory to the Lord for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever. V. Who shall declare the powers of the Lord? who shall set forth all his praises? V. Blessed are they that keep judgment and do justice at all times. V. Remember us, O Lord, in favour of thy people: visit us with thy salvation.

GOSPEL. Matt. xvii. 1. 9. - At that time: Jesus taketh unto him Peter and James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into a high mountain apart: and he was transfigured before them. And his face did shine as the sun : and his garments became white as snow. And behold there appeared to them Moses and Elias talking with him. Then Peter answering, said to Jesus: Lord, it is good for us to be here: if thou wilt, let us make here three tabernacles, one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias. And as he was yet speaking, behold a bright cloud overshadowed them. And lo a voice out of the cloud, saying: This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased: hear ye him. And the disciples hearing, fell upon their face, and were very much afraid. And Jesus came and touched them: and said to them: Arise, and be not afraid. And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one, but only Jesus. And as they came down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, saying: Tell the vision to no man, till the Son of Man shall be risen from the dead. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. exviii.—I will meditate on thy naw, which I have loved exceedingly: and I will

practise thy commandments, which I have loved. SECRET. Look down, O Lord, we beseech thee, on this our sacrifice, that it may increase our

devotion, and procure our salvation. Thro'. COMM. Ps. v. Understand my cry: hearken to the voice of my prayer, O my King and my God, for to thee will I pray, O Lord.

P. COMM. Supplices.—Grant we humbly beseeth thee, O Almighty God, that those, whom thou hast refreshed with thy sacraments, may worthily serve thee in the conduct of their lives. Thro'.

MONDAY. INTROIT. Ps. xxv.

DELIVER me, O Lord, and take pity on me: for my foot hath stood in the right path: in the assemblies will I bless the Lord. Ps. Be thou, O Lord, my judge, for I have walked in my inno-cency; and trusting in thee, I shall not be weakened. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Præsta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that thy people who mortify themselves by abstinence from meat, may likewise fast from sin, and follow righteousness. Thro'.

LESSON. Dan. ix. 15. 19.—In those days: Daniel prayed to the Lord, saying: O Lord our God, who hast brought forth thy prople out of the land of Egypt with a strong hand and hast made thee a name as at this day: we have sinned, we have committed iniquity, O Lord, against all thy justice: let thy wrath and thy indignation be turned away I beseech thee, from thy city Jerusalem, and from thy holy mountain. For by reason of our sins, and the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and thy people are a reproach to all that are round about us. Now therefore, O our God, hear the supplication of thy

servant, and his prayers: and shew thy face upon thy sanctuary which is desolate, for thy own sake. Incline, O my God, thy ear, and hear: open thy eyes, and see our desolation, and the city upon which thy name is called: for it is not for our justifications that we present our prayers before thy face, but for the multitude of thy tender mercies. O Lord hear: O Lord, be appeased: hearken and do: delay not for thy own sake, O my God: because thy name is invocated upon thy city, and upon thy people, O Lord our God.

GRAD. Ps. lxix.—Be thou my helper and my deliverer: O Lord, delay not. V. Let my enemies who seek my soul, he put to confusion and shame.

* TRACT. Ps. cii.—Deal not, p. 117.

GOSPEL. John viii. 21. 29.—At that time: lesus said to the multitude of the Jews: I go and you shall seek me, and you shall die in your sin. Whither I go, you cannot come. The Jews therefore said: Will he kill himself, because he said: Whither I go, you cannot come? And he said to them: You are from beneath, I am from above. You are of this world, I am not of this world. The efore I say to you, that you shall die in your sins. For if you believe not that I am he, you shall die in your sin. They said therefore to him: Who art thou? Jesus said to them: The beginning, who also speak unto you. Many things I have to speak, and to judge of you. But he that sent me is true: and the things I have heard of him, the same I speak in the world. Now they understood not that he called God his Father. Jesus therefore said to them: When you shall have lifted up the Son of Man, then shall you know that I am he, and that I do nothing of myself, but as the Father has taught me, these things I speak. And he that sent me is with me, and he hath not left me alone: for I do always the things that please him.

OFFERT. Ps. xv.-- will bless the Lord, who hath given me understanding I set the Lord always in my sight: for he is at my right hand, that I be not moved.

SECRET. May this sacrifice of propitiation and praise make us, O Lord, worthy of thy protection.

Thro'.

COMM. Ps. viii.-O Lord our God, how ad-

mirable is thy name in the whole earth!

P. COMM. Hec nos .- May this communion, O Lord, cleanse us from sin; and make us partakers of the heavenly remedy. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Adesto.-Hear our prayers and entreaties, O Almighty God; and grant that those, to whom thou givest hopes of thy mercy, may experience the effects of thy usual elemency. Thro.

TUESDAY.

INTROIT. Ps. xxvi.

MY heart nath said to thee, my face hath sought thee: thy face O Lord will I still seek: turn not away thy face from me. Ps. The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? V. Glory.

COLLECT. Perfice.—Grant us, O Lord, we beseech thee, thy assistance, whereby we may go through the observance of this holy fast, that what we have undertaken by thy appointment, we may accomplish by thy grace. Thro'.

LESSON. 3 Kings xvii. 8. 16.—In those days:

The word of the Lord came to Elias the Thesbite, saying: Arise, and go to Sarephta a city of the Sidonians, and dwell there: for I have commanded a widow woman there to feed thee. He arose, and went to Sarephta. And when he was come to the gate of the city, he saw the widow woman gather ing sticks, and he called her, and said to her

Give me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink. And when she was going to fetch it, he called after her, saying: Bring me, also, I beseech thee, a morsel of bread in thy hand. And she answered: As the Lord thy God liveth, I have no bread, but only a handful of meal in a pot, and a little oil in a cruse: behold I am gathering two sticks, that I may go in and dress it for me and my son that we may eat it, and die. And Elias said to her: Fear not, but go, and do as thou hast said: but first make for me of the same meal a little hearth cake. and bring it to me: and after make for thyself and thy son. For thus saith the Lord the God of Israel: The pot of meal shall not waste, nor the cruse of oil be diminished, until the day wherein the Lord will give rain upon the face of the earth. She went, and did according to the word of Elias: and he ate, and she, and her house: and from that day the pot of meal wasted not, and the cruse of oil was not diminished, according to the word of the Lord, which he spoke in the hand of Elias.

GRAD. Ps. liv.—Cast thy care upon the Lord, and he shall sustain thee. V. When I cried out to the Lord, he heard my voice against those who were

coming upon me.

GOSPEL. Matt. xxiii. 1. 12.—At that time: Jesus spoke to the multitudes and to his disciples, saying: the Scribes and the Pharisees have sitten on the chair of Moses. All things therefore whatsoever they shall say to you, observe and do: but according to their works do ye not: for they say, and do not. For they bind heavy and insupportable burdens: and lay them on men's shoulders: but with a finger of their own they will not move them. And all these works they do to be seen of men. For they make their phylacteries broad and enlarge their fringes. And they love the first places at feasts, and the first chairs in the synagogues, and salutations in the market-place, and to be called by men

Rabbi. But be not you called Rabbi. For one is your master and all you are brethren. And call none your father upon earth: for one is your father who is in heaven. Neither be ye called masters: for one is your master, Christ. He that is the greatest among you shall be your servant. And whosoever shall exalt himself, shall be humbled: and he that shall humble himself, shall be exalted.

OFFERT. Ps. 1.—Have mercy on me, O Lord: according to thy great mercy: O Lord, blot out my

iniquity.

SECRET. Mercifully sanctify us, O Lord, by these mysteries: and let them cleanse us from all earthly vice, and bring us to the enjoyment of thy heavenly gifts. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. ix.—I will relate all thy wonders,—I will be glad and rejoice in thee, I will sing praise

to thy name, O thou Most High.

P. COMM. Ut sacris.—Make us always, we beseech thee, O Lord, obedient to thy commandments, that we may be worthy of thy gifts, which we have partaken of. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Propiliare.—Be appeased, O Lord, by our prayers, and heal the infirmities of our souls; that our sins being forgiven, we may ever rejoice in thy blessings. Thro'.

WEDNESDAY. INTROIT. Ps. xxxviii.

FORSAKE me not, O Lord my God: do not thou depart from me: attend unto my help O Lord, the God of my salvation. Ps. Rebuke me not, O Lord, in thy indignation; nor chastise me in thy wrath. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Populum tuum.—Mercifully regard thy people, O Lord, we beseech thee; and grant that those whom thou commandest to abstain from flesh, may likewise cease from all sin. Thro'.

LESSON. Esther xiii. 8. 17.—In those days: Mardochai besought the Lord, remembering all his works, and said: O Lord, Lord, almighty King, for all things are in thy power, and there is none that can resist thy will, if thou determine to save Israel. Thou hast made heaven and earth, and all things that are under the cope of heaven. Thou art Lord of all, and there is none that can resist thy majesty. Thou knowest all things, and thou knowest that it was not out of pride and contempt, or any desire of glory, that I refused to worship the proud Aman, (for I would willingly and readily for the salvation of Israel have kissed even the steps of his feet:) but I feared lest I should transfer the honour of my God to a man, and lest I should adore any one except my God. And now, O Lord, O King, O God of Abraham, have mercy on thy people, because our enemies resolve to destroy us, and extinguish thy inheritance. Despise not thy portion which thou hast redeemed for thyself out of Egypt. Hear my supplication, and be merciful to thy lot and inheritance, and turn our mourning into joy, that we may live and praise thy name, O Lord, and shut not the mouths of them that sing to thee, O Lord our God.

GRAD. Ps. xxvii.—Save O Lord thy people, and bless thy inheritance. To thee will I cry, O Lord; O my God be not thou silent to me, lest I become like them that go down into the pit.

* TRACT.—Deal not, p. 117.

GOSPEL. Matt. xx. 17. 28.—At that time: Jesus going up to Jerusalem, took the twelve disciples apart, and said to them: Behold we go up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man shall be betrayed to the chief priests and the scribes, and they shall condernn him to death, and shall deliver him to the Gentiles to be mocked, and to be scourged, and to be crucified, and the third day he shall rise

again. [*Then came to him the motner of the sons of Zebedee with her sons, adoring and asking something of him. Who said to her: What wilt thou? She saith to him: Say that these my two sons may sit, the one on thy right hand, and the other on thy left, in thy kingdom. And Jesus answering, and said: You know not what you ask. Can you drink the chalice that I shall drink? They say to him: We can. He saith to them: Of my chalice indeed you shall drink: but to sit on my right hand or left hand, is not mine to give to you, but to them for whom it is prepared by my Father.†] And the ten hearing it were moved with indignation against the two brethren. But Jesus called them to him, and said: You know that the princes of the Gentile, lord it over them: and they that are the greater, exercise power upon them. It shall not be so among you, but whosoever will be the greater among you, let him be your minister: and he that will be first among you, shall be your servant. Even as the Son of Man is not come to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a redemption for many.

OFFERT. Ps. xxiv.—To thee, O Lord, have I lifted up my soul: in thee, O my God, I put my trust, let me not be ashamed: neither let my enemies laugh at me; for none of them that wait on thee shall be confounded.

SECRET. Mercifully look down, O Lord, on the offerings we make thee, and by the intercourse of these sacred mysteries, release us from the bonds of our sins. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. x.—The Lord is just and hath loved justice; his countenance beholdeth righteousness.

P. COMM. Sumptis.—We beseech thee, O Lord,

* Here begins the Gospel of St. James, 25th July. and closes at t.

that the receiving this sacrament may forward our eternal redemption. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God. PRAYER. Deus innocentia.—O God, the restorer and lover of innocence, draw to thyself the hearts of thy servants, that being inflamed by thy holy.

Spirit, they may be constant in faith, and zealous in good works. Thro'.

THURSDAY. INTROIT. Ps. lxix.

O God, come to my assistance; O Lord, make haste to help me: let my enemics be confounded and ashamed that seek my soul. Ps. Let them be turned backwards and blush for shame that desire evils to me. V. Glorv.

COLLECT. Prasta.—Grant us, we beseech thee, O Lord, the assistance of thy grace: that whilst we duly apply ourselves to fasting and prayer, we may be delivered from all enemies both of soul and body. Thro'.

LESSON. Jer. xvii. 5, 10.—Thus saith the Lord. Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the Lord. For he shall be like tamarick in the desert, and he shall not see when good shall come: but he shall dwell in dryness in the desert, in a salt land and not inhabited. Blessed be the man that trusteth in the Lord, and the Lord shall be his confidence. And he shall be as a tree that is planted by the waters, and spreadeth out its roots towards moisture; and it shall not fear when the heat cometh And the leaf thereof shall be green, and in the time of drought it shall not be solicitous, neither shall it cease at any time to bring forth fruit. The heart is perverse above all things, and unsearchable, who can know it? I αm the Lord that search the heart, and prove the reins: who give to every one according to his way, and according to the fruit of his

devices, saith the Lord Almighty.

GRAD. Ps. lxxviii.—Forgive us, O Lord, cur offences, lest the Gentiles say: Where is now their God? V. Help us, O God our Saviour, and for the glory of thy name, O Lord, deliver us.

GOSPEL. Luke xvi. 19. 31. - At that time: Jesus said to the Pharisees: There was a certain rich man, who was clothed in purple and fine linen: and feasted sumptuously every day. And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, who lay at his gate, full of sores, desiring to be fed with the crumbs that fell from the rich man's table, and no one did give him, moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. And it came to pass that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom. And the rich man also died, and he was buried in hell. And lifting up his eyes, when he was in torments, he saw Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom: And he cried, and said: Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, to cool my tongue, for 1 am tormented in this flame. And Abraham said to him: Son, remember that thou didst receive good things in thy life-time, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented. And besides all this, between us and you there is fixed a great chaos: so that they who would pass from hence to you, cannot, nor from thence come hither. And he said: Then father, I beseech thee that thou wouldst send him to my father's house. For I have five brethren, that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torments. And Abraham said to him: They have Moses and the prophets: let them hear them. But he said: No, Father Abraham, but if any one went to them from the dead, they will do penance. And he said to him: If they hear not

Moses and the prophets, neither will they believe,

if one rise again from the dead.

OFFERT. Exod. xxxii.—Moses prayed in the presence of the Lord his God, and said: Why, O Lord, art thou angry with thy people? Let the wrath of thy soul be appeased: remember Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to whom thou didst swear to give a land flowing with milk and honey. And the Lord was appeased: and did not the evil with which he threatened his people.

SECRET. May the fast consecrated to thy name, O Lord, sanctify us by this present sacrifice, that we may experience inwardly the effects of what we out-

wardly profess by our fast. Thro'.

COMM. John vi.—He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, abideth in me, and 1 in him,

saith the Lord.

P. COMM. Gratia.—May thy grace, O Lord, we beseech thee, never abandon us, but ever make us intent on thy holy service, and always procure us thy help. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Adesto.—Be favourable, O Lord, to thy servants, and hear their prayers in the grant of everlasting mercy; that glorying in thee their Creator and Governor, they may have all things perfected and perpetuated to them. Thro'.

FRIDAY.

INTROIT. Ps. xvi.

BUT I will appear before thy sight in justice: I shall be satisfied when thy glory shall appear.

Ps. Hear, O Lord, my justice: attend to my supplication.

V. Glory.

COLLECT. Da quesumus.—Grant, O Almighty God, that, being purified by this fast, we may come to the approaching solemnity with clean hearts. Thro'.

LESSON. Gen. xxxvii. 6. 22.—In those days. Joseph said to his brethren: Hear my dream which I have dreamed: I thought we were binding sheaves in the field: and my sheaf arose as it were, and stood, and your sheaves standing about bowed down before my sheaf. His brethren answered Shalt thou be our king? or shall we be subject to thy dominion? Therefore this matter of his dreams and words ministered nourishment to their envy and hatred. He dreamed also another dream. which he told his brethren, saying: I saw in a dream, as it were the sun, and the moon, and eleven stars, worshipping me. And when he had told this to his father, and brethren, his father rebuked him, and said: What meaneth this dream that thou hast dreamed? shall I and thy mother, and thy brethren, worship thee upon the earth? His brettren therefore envied him: but his father considered the thing with himself. And when his brethren abode in Sichem, feeding their father's flocks, Israel said to him: Thy brethren feed the sheep in Sichem: come, I will send thee to them. And when he answered: I am ready: he said to him: Go, and see if all things be well with thy brethren, and the cattle: and bring me word again what is doing. So-being sent from the vale of Hebron, he came to Sichein. And a man found him there wandering in the field, and asked him what he sought. But he answered: I seek my brethren: tell me where they feed their flocks. And the man said to him: They are departed from this place: for I heard them say: let us go to Dothain. And Joseph went forward after his brethren, and found them in Dothain. And when they saw him afar off, before he came nigh them, they thought to kill him: and said one to another, Behold the dreamer cometh, come let us kill him, and cast him into some old pit; and we will say: some evil beast hath devoured him; and

then it shall appear what his dreams avail him. And Ruben hearing this, endeavoured to deliver him out of their hands, and said: Do not take away his life, nor shed his blood: but cast him into this pit that is in the wilderness, and keep your hands harmless: now he said this, being desirous to deliver him out of their hands and restore him to his father.

GRAD. Ps. cxix.—In my trouble I cried to the Lord, and he heard me. V. O Lord, Deliver my soul from wicked lips, and a deceitful tongue.

* TRACT. Ps. cii.—Deal not, p. 117.

GOSPEL. Matt. xxi. 33. 46.—At that time Jesus spoke to the multitude of the Jews, and to the chief priests this parable: There was a householder who planted a vineyard, and made a hedge round about it, and dug in it a press, and built a tower, and let it out to husbandmen; and went into a strange country. And when the time of the fruits drew nigh, he sent his servants to the husbandmen, that they might receive the fruits thereof. And the husbandmen laying hands on his servants, beat one, and killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants more than the former: and they did to them in like manner. And last of all he sent them his Son, saying: They will reverence my Son: But when the husbandmen seeing the Son, they said among themselves: This is the heir, come, let us kill him, and we shall have his inheritance. And taking him they cast him forth out of the vineyard, and killed nim. When therefore the lord of the vineyard shall come, what will he do to those husbandmen? They say to him: He will bring those evil men to an evil end: and will let out his vineyard to other husbandmen, that shall render him the fruit in due season. Jesus saith to them: Have you never read in the Scriptures: "The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner By the Lord this hath been done, and it is wonderful in our eyes." Therefore I say to you, the kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and shall be given to a nation yielding the fruits thereof. And whoso-ever shall fall on this stone, shall be broken: but on whomsoever it shall fall, it shall grind him to powder. And when the chief priests and pharisees had hear his parables, they knew that he spoke of them. And seeking to lay hands on him, they feared the multitude: because they held him as a prophet.

OFFERT. Ps. xxxix.—Look down, O Lord, to deliver me; look down, O Lord, to help me, let them be confounded and ashamed together that seek after my soul to take it away: look down to my aid,

O Lord.

SECRET. May the effects of this warfare, O Lord, remain in us, and be increased by good works. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xi.—Thou, O Lord, wilt preserve

us: and keep us from this generation forever.

P. COMM. Fac nos.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that having received this pledge of our eternal salvation, we may so direct our course thereto, as happily to arrive at it. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Da quasumus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, to thy people health both of soul and body, that by the continual practice of good works, they may always be defended by thy powerful protection. Thro.

SATURDAY.

INTROIT. Ps. xviii.

THE law of the Lord is unspotted, converting souls; the testimony of the Lord is faithful giving wisdom to little ones. Ps. The heavens shew forth the glory of God, and the firmament declareth the work of his hands. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Da quesumus.—Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, this saving effect of our fast, that the chastisement of the flesh, which we have undertaken, may become the improvement of our souls. Thro:

LESSON. Gen. xxvii. 5. 39.—In those days: Rebecca said to her son Jacob: I heard thy father talking with Esau thy brother, and saying to him: Bring me of thy hunting, and make me meats that I may eat, and bless thee in the sight of the Lord, before I die. Now therefore, my son, follow my counsel: and go thy way to thy flock, bring me two kids of the best, that I may make of them meat for thy father, such as he gladly eateth: which when thou hast brought in, and he hath eaten, he may bless thee before he die. And he answered her: Thou knowest that Esau my brother is a hairy man, and I am smooth: if my father shall feel me, and perceive it, I fear lest he will think I would have mocked him, and I shall bring upon me a curse instead of a blessing. And his mother said to him: Upon me be this curse, my son: only hear thou my voice, and go, fetch me the things which I have said. He went, and brought, and gave them to his mother. She dressed meat such as she knew his father liked. And she put on him very good garments of Esau, which she had at home with her: and the little skins of the kids she put about his hands, and covered the bare of his neck. And she gave him the savoury meat, and delivered him bread that she had baked. Which when he had carried in, he said My father? But he answered: I hear. Who art thou my son? And Jacob said: I am Esau thy first-born: I have done as thou didst command me: arise, sit and eat of my venison, that thy soul may bless me. And Isaac said to his son: How couldst thou find it so quickly, my son? He answered: It

was the will of God that what I sought came quickly in my way. And Isaac said: Come hither, that I may feel thee my son, and may prove whether thou be my son Esau or no: He came near to his father, and when he had felt him, Isaac said: The voice indeed is the voice of Jacob, but the hands, are the hands of Esau. And he knew him not, because his hairy hands make him like to the elder. Then blessing him, he said: Art thou my son Esau? He answered: I am. Then he said: Bring me the meats of thy hunting, my son, that my soul may bless thee. And when they were brought and he had eaten, he offered him wine also, which after he had drunk, he said to him: Come near me, and give me a kiss, my son. He came near, and kissed him. And immediately as he smelled the fragrant smell of his garments, blessing him, he said: Behold the smell of my son is as the smell of a plentiful field, which the Lord hath blessed. God give thee of the dew of heaven, and of the fatness of the earth, abundance of corn and wine. And let peoples serve thee, and tribes worship thee: be thou lord of thy brethren, and let thy mother's children bow down before thee. Cursed be he that curseth thee: and let him that blesseth thee be filled with blessings. Isaac had scarce ended his words, when Jacob being now gone out abroad, Esau came, and brought in to his father meats made of what he had taken in hunting, saying: Arise, my father, and eat of thy son's venison: that thy soul may bless me. And Isaac said to him: Why! who art thou? He answered: I am thy first-born son Esau. Isaac was struck with fear, and astonished exceedingly: and wondering beyond what can be believed, said: Who is he that even now brought me venison that he had taken, and I ate of all before thou camest? and I have blessed him, and he shall be blessed. Esau having heard his

father's words, roared out with a great cry: and being in a consternation, said: Bless me also, my father. And he said: Thy brother came deceitfully and got thy blessing. But he said again: Rightly is his name called Jacob: for he hath supplanted me lo this second time: my first birth-right he took away before, and now this second time he hath stolen away my blessing. And again he said to his father: Hast thou not reserved me also a blessing? Isaac answered: I have appointed him thy lord, and have made all his brethren his servants: I have established him with corn and oil, and after this, what shall I do more for thee my son? And Esau said to him: Hast thou only one blessing, father? I beseech thee, bless me also. And when he wept with a loud cry, Isaac being moved, said to him: In the fat of the earth, and in the dew of heaven from above shall thy blessing be.

GRAD. Ps. xci. It is good to give praise to the Lord, and to sing to thy name, O Most High. V To shew forth thy mercy in the morning, and thy

truth in the night.

GOSPEL. Luke xv. 11. 32. — At that time: Jesus spoke to the Scribes and Pharisees this parable: A certain man had two sons: and the younger of them said to his father: Father, give me the portion of substance that falleth to me. And he divided unto them his substance. And not many days after, the younger son gathering all together, went abroad into a far country: and there wasted his substance with living riotously. And after he had spent all, there came a mighty famine in that country, and he began to be in want. And he went and cleaved to one of the citizens of that country. And he sent him into his farm to feed swine. And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks the swine did sat: and no man gave unto him. And returning to

himself he said: How many hired servants in my father's house abound with bread, and I here perish with hunger? I will arise, and will go to my father, and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee: I am not now worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants. And rising up he came to his father. And when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and was moved with compassion, and running to him fell upon his neck and kissed him. And the son said to him: Father I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, I am not now worthy to be called thy son. But the father said to his servants: Bring forth quickly the first robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet: and bring hither the fatted calf, and kill it, and let us eat, and make merry: because this my son was dead, and is now come to life again: was lost, and is found. And they began to be merry. Now his eldest son was in the field: and when he came and drew nigh to the house, he heard music and dancing: and he called one of the servants, and asked what these things meant. And he said to him: Thy brother is come, and thy father hath killed the fatted calf, because he hath received him safe. And he was angry, and would not go in. His father therefore coming out began to entreat him. And he answering, said to his father: Behold, for so many years do I serve thee, and I have never transgressed thy commandments, and yet thou hast never given me a kid to make merry with my friends: but as soon as this thy son is come, who hath devoured his substance with harlots, thou hast killed for him the fatted calf. But he said to him: Son, thou art always with me, and all I have is thine. But it was fit we should make merry and be glad, for this thy brother was dead, and is come to life again; he was lost and is found.

OFFERT. Ps. xii. — Enlighten my eyes that I

never sleep in death; lest at any time my enemy say

I have prevailed against him.

SECRET. Mercifully grant us, O Lord, by this boly sacrifice, that we, who desire to be freed from our own sins, may not be burdened with those of others. Thro'.

COMM. Luke xv.—Son, thou oughtest to rejoice because thy brother was dead, and is come to life

again: he was lost, and is found.

P. COMM. Sacramenti.—May the sacred taste of this thy sacrament, O Lord, penetrate the innermost recesses of our hearts, and make us plentifully partake of its effects. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Familiam.—Protect, O Lord, we beseech thee, thy family by thy continual goodness, that as it relieth on the hopes of thy heavenly grace, so it may be defended by thy heavenly aid. Thro'.

III. SUNDAY IN LENT. INTROIT. Ps. xxiv.

MY eyes are ever towards the Lord: for he shall pluck my feet out of the snare: look thou upon me, and have mercy on me; for I am alone and poor. Ps. To thee, O Lord have I lifted up my soul: in thee, O my God, I put my trust, let me not be ashamed. V. Glorv.

OCULI mei semper ad Dominum, quia ipse evellet de laqueo pedes meos: respice in me, et miserere mei quoniam unicus et pauper sum ego.

Ps. Ad te, Domine, levavi animam meam: Deus meus, in te confido, non erubescam.

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Quasumus.—Be attentive, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, to the prayers of thy ervants: and stretch forth the arm of thy divine majesty in our defence. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Ephes. v. 1. 9. - Brethren: Be ye

therefore followers of God, as most dear children and walk in love, as Christ also loved us, and hat) delivered himself for us, an oblation and a sacrifica to God, for an odour of sweetness. But fornication and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not so much as be named among you, as becometh saints or obscenity, or foolish talking, or scurrility, which is to no purpose: but rather giving of thanks. Fo. know ye this and understand, that no fornicator, or unclean, or covetous person, (which is serving of idols) hath inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God. Let no man deceive you with vain words. For because of these things cometh the anger of God upon the children of unbelief. Be ye not there. fore partakers with them. For you were heretofore darkness, but now light in the Lord. Walk ye as children of the light.—For the fruit of the light is in all goodness, and justice, and truth.

GRAD. Ps. ix.—Arise, O Lord, let not man pre vail: let the gentiles be judged in thy sight. V. When my enemy shall be turned back: they shall be weak

ened and perish before thy face.

TRACT. Ps. exxii.—Ad te levari oculos meo. qui habitas in calis. To thee have I lifted up meyes, who dwellest in heaven. V. Behold as the eyes of servants are on the hands of their masters. V. And as the eyes of the hand-maid are on the hands of her mistress: so are our eyes unto the Lord our God until he have mercy on us. V. Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

GOSPEL. Luke xi. 14. 28.—At that time: Jesus was casting out a devil, and the same was dumb, and when he had cast out the devil, the dumb spoke: and the multitude were in admiration at it. But some of them said: he casteth out devils, by Belzebub the prince of devils. And others tempting, asked of him a sign from heaven. But he seeing

their thoughts, said to them: Every kingdom divided against itself, shall be brought to desolation, and house upon house shall fall. And if Satan also be divided against himself, how shall his kingdom stand because you say, that through Belzebub I cast out devils. Now if I cast out devils by Belzebub: by whom do your children cast them out? Therefore they shall be your judges. But if I by the finger of God cast out devils: doubtless the kingdom of God is come upon you. When a strong man armed keepeth his court, those things are in peace which he possesseth. But if a stronger than he come upon him and overcome him, he will take away all his armour wherein he trusted, and will distribute his spoils. He that is not with me, is against me: and he that gathereth not with me, scattereth. When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through places without water, seeking rest: and not finding, he saith: I will return into my house whence I came out. And when he is come, he findeth it swept and garnished. Then he goeth and taketh with him seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and entering in they dwell there. And the last state of that man becometh worse than the first. And it came to pass, as he spoke these things, a certain woman from the crowd lifting up her voice, said to him: Blessed is the womb that bore thee, and the paps that gave thee suck. But he said: Yea rather, blessed are they who hear the word of God, and keep it. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. xviii.—The justices of the Lord are right rejoicing hearts: his ordinances are sweeter than honey and the honey-comb: therefore thy serv-

ant observeth them.

SECRET. May this offering, O Lord, we beseech thee, cleanse us from our sins, and sanctify the bodies and souls of thy servants for the celebrating of this sacrifice. Thro'. COMM. Ps. lxxxiii.—The sparrow hath found herself a house, and the turtle a nest where she may lay her young ones; in like manner, O Lord of armies, my King and my God, let my abode be near thy altar: blessed are they that dwell in thy house, they shall praise thee for ever and ever.

P. COMM. A cunctis.—Mercifully, O Lord, we beseech thee, deliver us from all guilt and from all danger, since thou admittest us to be partakers of this great mystery. Thro'.

MONDAY.

INTROIT. Ps. lv.—In God will I praise the word, in the Lord will I praise his speed: In God I will put my trust, I will not fear what man can do against me. Ps. Have mercy on me, O God, for man hath trodden me under foot all the day, warring he hath afflicted me. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Cordibus.—We beseech thee, O Lord, mercifully to pour forth thy grace into our hearts: that, as we abstain from flesh, so we may keep our senses from all noxious excesses. Thro'.

LESSON. 4 Kings v. 1. 15.—In those days: Naaman, general of the army of the King of Syria, was a great man with his master, and honourable: for by him the Lord gave deliverance to Syria: and he was a valiant man and rich, but a leper. Now there had gone out robbers from Syria, and had led away captive out of the land of Israel a little maid, and she waited upon Naaman's wife. And she said to her mistress: I wish my master had been with the prophet that is in Samaria: he would certainly have healed him of the leprosy which he hath. Then Naaman went into his lord, and told him, saying: 'Thus and thus saith the girl, that came from the land of Israel. And the King of Syria said to him: Go, and I will send a letter to the

King of Israel. And he departed, and took with him ten talents of silver, and six thousand pieces of gold, and ten changes of raiment, and brought the letter to the king of Israel, in these words: When thou shalt receive this letter know that I have sent to thee Naaman my servant, that thou mayest heal him of his leprosy. And when the king of Israel had read the letter, he rent his garments, and said: Am I God, to be able to kill and to give life, that this man hath sent to me, to heal a man of his leprosy? mark, and see how he seeketh occasions against me. And when Eliseus the man of God had heard this, to wit, that the king of Israel had rent his garments, he sent to him, saying; Why hast thou rent thy garments? let him come to me and let him know that there is a prophet in Israel. Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and stood at the door of the house of Eliseus: and Eliseus sent a messenger to him, saying; Go and wash seven times in the Jordan, and thy flesh shall recover health, and thou shalt be clean. Naaman was angry, and went away, saying: I thought he would have come out to me, and standing would have invoked the name of the Lord his God, and touched with his hand the place of the leprosy, and healed me. Are not the Abana, and the Pharphar, rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel, that I may wash in them, and be made clean? So as he turned, and was going away with indignation, his servants came to him, and said to him: Father, if the prophet had bid thee do some great thing, surely thou shouldst have done it: how much rather what he now hath said to thee: Wash, and thou shalt be clean? Then he went down, and washed in the Jordan seven times, according to the word of the man of God; and his flesh was restored, like the flesh of a little child, and was made clean. And returning to the man of God with all his train, he came and stood before him, and said: In truth I know there is no other God in all the earth, but only in Israel.

GRAD. Ps. lv.—O God I have declared to thee my life: thou hast set my tears in thy sight. V. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for man liath trodden me under foot: all the day long he hath afflicted me fighting against me.

* TRACT. Ps. cii.—Deal not, p. 117.

GOSPEL. Lake iv. 23, 30.—At that time: Jesus said to the Pharisees: Doubtless you will say to me this similitude: Physician heal thyself: as great things as we have heard done in Capharnaum, do also here in thy own country. And he said: Amen I say to you, that no prophet is accepted in his own country. In truth I say to you, there were many widows in the days of Elias in Israel, when heaven was shut up three years and six months: when there was a great famine throughout all the land; and to none of them was Elias sent, but to Sarephta of Sidon to a widow woman. And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of Eliseus the prophet: and none of them was cleansed but Naaman the Syrian. And all they in the synagogue, hearing these things, were tilled with anger. And they rose up and thrust him out of the city: and they brought him to the brow of the hill, whereon their city was built that they might cast him down headlong. But he passing through the midst of them, went his way.

OFFERT. Ps. liv.—Hear O God, my prayer, and despise not my supplication: be attentive to me and hear me.

SECRET. Grant, O Lord, that the offering we make to thee, as a mark of our homage, may be come to us a sacrament available to our salvation. Thro'.

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COMM. Ps. xiii.—Who shall give out of Sion the salvation of Israel: When the Lord shall have turned away the captivity of his people, Jacob shall rejoice, and Israel shall be glad.

P. COMM. Præsta, quæsumus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty and merciful God, that what we take with our mouths, we may receive with pure minds. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God

PRAYER. Subveniat.—May thy mercy, O Lord, assist us, that by thy protection we may be delivered from the dangers of sin that surround us, and so brought to eternal happiness. Thro'.

TUESDAY.

INTROIT. Ps. xvi.—I have cried to thee, for thou, O God, hast heard me: incline thy ear unto me, O hear my words. Keep me, O Lord, as the apple of thine eye: protect me under the shadow of thy wings. Ps. Hear, O Lord, my justice: attend to my supplication. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Exaudi nos.—Graciously hear us, O Almighty and merciful God, and grant us the gift of salutary continence. Thro'.

LESSON. 4 Kings iv. 1. 7.—In those days: A certain woman of the wives of the prophets cried to Eliseus, saying: Thy servant my husband is dead, and thou knowest that thy servant was one that feared God, and behold the creditor is come to take away my two sons to serve him. And Eliseus said to her: What wilt thou have me do for thee? Tell me what hast thou in thy house? And she answered: 1 thy handmaid have nothing in my house but a little oil, to anoint me. And he said to her: Go, borrow of all thy neighbours empty vessels not a few. And go in, and shut thy door, when thou art within with thy sons: and pour out thereof into all those

vessels; and when they are full take them away So the woman went, and shut the door upon her, and upon her sons; they brought her the vessels, and she poured in. And when the vessels were full she said to her son; Bring me yet a vessel. And he answered: I have no more. And the oil stood. And she came and told the man of God. And he said: Go, sell the oil, and pay the creditor: and thou and thy sons live of the rest.

GRAD. Ps. xviii.—From my secret ones cleanse me, O Lord, and from the sins of others spare thy servant. V. If they shall have no dominion over me then shall I be without spot: and I shall be cleansed from the greatest sin.

GOSPEL. Matt. xviii. 15. 22.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: If thy brother shall offend against thee go and rebuke him between thee and him alone. If he shall hear thee, thou shalt gain thy brother. But if he will not hear thee, take with thee one or two more: that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may stand. And if he will not hear them, tell the Church. And if he will not hear the Church, let him be to thee as the heathen and publican. Amen I say to you, whatsoever you shall bind upon earth, shall be bound also in heaven; and whatsoever you shall loose upon earth, shall be loosed also in heaven. Again, I say to you, that if two of you shall consent upon earth, concerning any thing whatsoever they shall ask, it shall be done to them by my Father who is in heaven For where there are two or three gathered together in my name; there am I in the midst of them. Then came Peter unto him and said: Lord, how often shall my brother offend against me, and I forgive him? till seven times? Jesus saith to him: I say not to thee till seven times; but till seventy times seven times.

OFFERT. Ps. cxvii.-The right hand of the

Lord hath wrought strength, the right hand of the Lord hath exalted me: I shall not die, but live: and

shall publish the works of the Lord.

SECRET. May we receive, we beseech thee, () Lord, by these sacraments, the effect of our redemotion: so that, by means thereof, we may withdraw from all human excesses, and thou mayest bestow upon us the gift of salvation. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xiv.-Lord who shall dwell in thy talernacle? Or who shall rest in thy holy hill? He that walketh without blemish, and worketh

nustice.

P. COMM. Sacris. Being cleansed, O Lord, by these holy mysteries, grant us, we beseech thee, both pardon and grace. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Tua.—Defend us, O Lord, by thy protection, and ever preserve us from all iniquity. Thro'.

WEDNESDAY.

INTROIT. Ps. xxx.—But I have hoped in the Lord: I will be glad, and rejoice in thy mercy: for thou hast regarded my humility. Ps. In thee, O Lord, have I hoped, let me never be confounded: deliver me in thy justice, and rescue me. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Præsta nobis.-Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, that being improved by this whole-some fast, we may abstain from all pernicious vice, and by that means, more easily obtain thy mercy. Thro'.

LESSON. Exod. xx. 12. 24. Thus saith the Lord God: Honour thy father and thy mother, that thou mayest be long lived upon the land which the Lord thy God will give thee. Thou shalt not kill. Thou shalt not commit adultery. Thou shalt not steal Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, neither shalt thou desire his wife, nor his servant, nor his hand-maid, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is his. And all the people saw the voices and the flames, and the sound of the trumpet, and the mount smoking: and being terrified and struck with fear, they stood afar off, saying to Moses: Speak thou to us, and we will hear: let not the Lord speak to us, lest we die. And Moses said to the people: Fear not; for God is come to prove you, and that the dread of him might be in you, and you should not sin. And the people stood afar off. But Moses went to the dark cloud wherein God was. And the Lord said to Moses: Thus shalt thou say to the children of Israel: You have seen that I have spoken to you from heaven. You shall not make gods of silver, nor shall you make to yourselves gods of gold. You shall make an altar of earth unto me, and you shall offer upon it your holocausts and peace-offerings, your sheep and oxen, in every place where the memory of my name shall be.

GRAD. Ps. vi.—Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am weak: heal me, O Lord. V. My bones are troubled and my soul is troubled exceedingly.

* TRACT. Ps. cii. Deal not, p. 117.

GOSPEL. Matt. xv. 1. 20.—At that time: The Scribes and Pharisees came from Jerusalem to Jesus, and saying to him: Why do thy disciples transgress the tradition of the ancients? For they wash not their hands when they eat bread. But he answering, said to them: Why do you also transgress the commandment of God for your tradition? For God said: "Honour thy father and mother:" and, "he that shall curse father or mother, let him die the death." But you say: Whosoever shall say to his father or mother, The gift whatsoever proceedeth

from me, shall profit thee. And he shall not honour his father or mother: and you have made void the commandment of God for your tradition. Hypocrites, well has Isaias prophesied of you saying: "This people bonoureth me with their lips, but their heart is far from me. And in vain do they worship me, teaching doctrines and commandments of men." And having called together the multitudes unto him, he said to them: Here ye and understand. Not that which goeth into the mouth, defileth a man; but what cometh out of the mouth. this defileth a man. Then came his disciples, and said to him: Dost thou know that the Pharisees, when they heard this word, were scandalized? But he answering, said: Every plant which my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up. Let them alone: they are blind, and leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both fall into the pit. And Peter answering said to him: Expound to us this parable. But he said; Are you also yet without understanding? Do you not understand, that whatsoever entereth into the mouth. goeth into the belly, and is cast out into the privy? But the things which proceed out of the mouth, come forth from the heart, and those things defile a man. For out of the heart come forth evil thoughts. murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false testimonies, blasphemies. These are the things that de-file a man. But to eat with unwashed hands doth not defile a man.

OFFERT. Ps. eviii.—Shew us, O Lord, thy mercy, for the glory of thy name: for thy mercy is sweet.

SECRET. Receive, O Lord, we beseech thee, the prayers of thy people, together with the offering of these hosts; and while we celebrate these thy mysteries, defend us from all dangers. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xv.—Thou hast made known to me the ways of life: thou shalt fill me with joy with

thy countenance.

P. COMM. Sanctificet nos.—May the heavenly food, which we have taken, sanctify us, O Lord, and freeing us from all errors, make us worthy of the heavenly promises. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.
PRAYER. Concede.— Grant, we beseech thee,
O Almighty God, that we who beg the favour of
thy protection, being delivered from all evils, may
serve thee with a secure mind. Thro'.

THURSDAY.

INTROIT. Ps. lxvii.-I am the salvation of my people, saith the Lord: in whatever tribulation they cry out to me, I will hear them; and I will be their Lord forever. Ps. Attend, O my people, to my law; incline your ears to the words of my mouth. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Magnificet.— May this sacred solemnity of thy servants, Cosmas and Damian, shew thy greatness, O Lord; by which, in thy unspeakable providence, thou hast granted them eternal glory, and us the aid of their prayers. Thro'.

LESSON. Jer. vii. 1. 7.—In those days: The word that came to Jeremias from the Lord, saying:

stand in the gate of the house of the Lord, and proclaim there this word, and say: Hear ye the word of the Lord, all ye men of Juda, that enter in at these gates, to adore the Lord. Thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Make your ways Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Make your ways and your doings good; and I will dwell with you in this place. Trust not in lying words, saying: The temple of the Lord, the temple of the Lord, it is the temple of the Lord. For if you will order well your ways and your doings; if you will execute judgment between a man and his neighbour, if you oppress not the stranger, the fatherless and the widow, and shed not innocent blood in this place, and walk not after strange gods to your own hurt. I will dwell with you in this place; in the land

which I gave to your fathers from the beginning and

for evermore, swith the Lord Almighty.

GRAD. Ps. cxliv.—The eyes of all hope in thee, O Lord, and thou givest them meat in due season. V. Thou openest thy hand, and fillest with thy bless-

ing every living creature.

GOSPEL. Luke iv. 38. 44.— At that time: Jesus rising up out of the synagogue, went into Simon's house. And Simon's wife's mother was taken with a great fever, and they besought him for her. And standing over her, he commanded the fever, and it left her. And immediately rising, she ministered to them. And when the sun was down, all they that had any sick with divers diseases, brought them to him. But he laying his hands on every one of them, healed them. And devils went out from many, crying out and saving: Thou art the Son of God. And he rebuking them suffered them not to speak, for they knew that he was Christ. And when it was day, going out he went into a desert place; and the multitude sought him, and came to him; and they stayed him that he should not depart from them. To whom he said: To other cities I must preach the kingdom of God: for therefore am I sent. And he was preaching in the synagogues of Galilee.

OFFERT. Ps. exxxvii.—If I shall walk in the midst of tribulation, thou wilt quicken me, O Lord; and thou hast stretched forth thy hand against the wrath of my enemies; and thy right hand hath saved me.

SECRET. We offer thee, O Lord, on occasion of the precious death of thy holy servants, this sacrifice, from which their martyrdom, and that of all others, took its beginning. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. cxviii.— Thou hast commanded thy commandments to be kept most diligently. O that my ways may be directed to keep thy justifications.

P. COMM. Sit nobis.—May this thy sacrament, O Lord, procure for us that salvation which we beg for by the merits of thy blessed martyrs Cosmas and Damian. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Subjectum.—May thy heavenly mercy, O Lord, always increase thy people, and make them ever obedient to thy commandments. Thro'.

FRIDAY.

INTROIT.—Ps. lxxxv.—Shew me, O Lord, a token for good: that they who hate me may see it, and be confounded, because thou, O Lord, hast helped me and comforted me. Ps. Bow down thine ear, O Lord, and hear me, for I am needy and poor. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Jejunia.—Let thy kind favour, O Lord, accompany our fast, that as we abstain from corporal food, so we may likewise refrain from all vice. Thro'.

LESSON. Numb. xx. 2. 13.—In those days: The children of Israel came together against Moses and Aaron; and making a sedition they said: Give us water to drink. And Moses and Aaron leaving the multitude, went into the tabernacle of the covenant, and fell flat upon the ground, and cried to the Lord and said: O Lord God, hear the cry of this people, and open to them thy treasure a fountain of living water, that being satisfied, they may cease to murmur. And the Lord spoke to Moses saying: Take the rod and assemble the people together, thou and Aaron thy brother, and speak to the rock before them, and it shall yield waters. And when thou hast brought forth water out of the rock, all the multitude and their cattle shall drink. Moses therefore took the

rod, which was before the Lord, as he had commanded him, and having gathered together the multitude before the rock, he said to them: Hear, ye rebellious and incredulous: can we bring you forth water out of this rock? And when Moses had lifted up his hand, and struck the rock twice with the rod, there came forth water in great abundance, so that the people and their cattle drank. And the Lord said to Moses and Aaron: Because you have not believed me, to sanctify me before the children of Israel, you shall not bring these people into the land which I will give them. This is the water of contradiction, where the children of Israel strove with words against the Lord, and he was sanctified in them.

GRAD. Ps. xxvii.—My heart trusted in the Lord, and I found relief: my flesh is healed, and I will with pleasure return him thanks. V. To thee, O Lord, have I cried out: answer me, O my God, and depart not from me.

* TRACT. Ps. cii.—Deal not, p. 117.

GOSPEL. John iv. 5. 41.—At that time; Jesus came to a city of Samaria which is called Sichar; near the land which Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore being wearied with his journey, sat thus on the well. It was about the sixth hour. There cometh a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus saith to her: Give me to drink. (For his disciples were gone into the city to buy meats.) Then that Samaritan woman saith to him: How dost thou, being a Jew, ask of me to drink, who am a Samaritan woman? For the Jesus answered, and said to her: If thou didst know the gift of God, and who he is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou perhaps wouldst have asked of him, and he would have

given thee hving water. The woman saith to him. Sir, thou hast nothing wherein to draw, and the well is deep: from whence then hast thou living water? Art thou greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank thereof himself, and his children, and his cattle? Jesus answered and said to her: Whosoever drinketh of this water, shall thirst again: but he that shall drink of the water that I shall give him, shall not thirst for ever. But the water that I shall give him, shall become in him a fountain of water springing up into life everlasing. The woman saith to him: Sir, Give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come hither to draw. Jesus saith to her: Go, call thy husband, and come hither. The woman answered, and said: I have no husband. Jesus saith to her: Thou hast said well. I have no husband: for thou hast had five hasbands: and he whom thou now hast, is not thy husband. This thou hast said truly. The woman saith to him: Sir: I perceive that thou art a prophet. Our fathers adored on this mountain, and you sav. that at Jerusalem is the place where men must adore. Jesus saith to her: Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when you shall neither on this mountain. nor in Jerusalem, adore the Father. You adore that which you know not; we adore that which we know; for salvation is of the Jews But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true adorers shall adore the Father in spirit and in truth. For the Father also seeketh such to adore him. God is a spirit, and they that adore him, must adore him in spirit and in truth. The woman saith to him: know that the Messias cometh (who is called Christ) therefore when he is come, he will tell us all things. Jesus saith to her: I am he, who am speaking with thee. And immediately his disciples came: and they wondered that he talked with the woman. Yes no man said: What seekest thou, or why talkest

thou with her? The woman therefore left her water-pot, and went her way into the city, and saith to the men there: Come, and see a man who hath told me all things whatsoever I have done. Is not he the Christ? They went therefore out of the city, and came unto him. In the mean time the disciples praved him, saying: Rabbi, eat. But he said to them: I have meat to eat which you know not of. The disciples therefore said one to another: Hath any man brought him to eat? Jesus saith to them: My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, that I may perfect his work. Do not you say, there are yet four months, and then the harvest cometh? Behold I say to you, lift up your eyes, and see the countries, for they are white already to harvest. And he that reapeth, receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life everlasting: that both he that soweth, and he that reapeth may rejoice together. For in this is that saying true: that it is one man that soweth, and it is another that reapeth. I have sent you to reap that in which you did not labour: others have laboured, and you have entered into their labours. Now of that city many of the Samaritans believed in him, for the word of the woman giving testimony: he told me all things whatsoever I have done. So when the Samaritans were come to him, they desired him that he would tarry there. And he abode there two days. And many more believed in him because of his own word. And they said to the woman: We now believe, not for thy saying: for we ourselves have seen him, and know that he is indeed the Saviour of the world.

OFFERT. Ps. v.—Hearken to the voice of my prayer, O my King and my God: for to thee will I

pray O Lord.

SECRET. We beseech thee, O Lord, mercifully regard the offerings we consecrate to thee, so that they may become acceptable to thee, and always advance our salvation. Thro'.

COMM. John iv.—He who shall drink the water which I shall give him, saith the Lord, it shall become in him a fountain of water springing up to eternal life.

P. COMM. Hujus.—May the receiving of this sacrament, O Lord, cleanse us from sin, and bring is to the kingdom of heaven. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Prasta.—Grant we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we who confide in thy protection, may, thro' thy grace, overcome all the enemies of our salvation. Thro'.

SATURDAY.

INTROIT. Ps. v. - Give ear, O Lord, to my words, understand my cry: hearken to the voice of my prayer, O my King and my God. Ps. For to thee, will I pray: O Lord, in the morning thou shalt hear my voice. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Præsta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that they who mortify themselves by abstinence from food, may, by observing thy holy law, also fast from all sin. Thro'.

LESSON. Dan. xiii. 1. 62. - In those days: There was a man that dwelt in Babylon, and his name was Joakim: and he took a wife whose name was Susanna, the daughter of Helcias, a very beautiful woman, and one that feared God. For her parents being just, had instructed their daughter according to the law of Moses. Now Joakim was very rich, and had an orchard near his house; and the Jews resorted to him, because he was the most honourable of them all. And there were two of the ancients of the people appointed judges that year, of whom the Lord said: Iniquity came out from Babylon from the ancient judges, that seemed to govern the people. These men frequented the house of Joakim, and all that had any matters of

judgment came to them. And when the people departed away at noon, Susanna went in, and walked in her husband's orchard. And the old men saw her going in every day, and walking: and they were inflamed with lust towards her: and they perverted their own mind, and turned away their eyes that they might not look unto heaven, nor remember just judgments. So they were both wounded with the love of her, yet they did not make known their grief one to the other: for they were ashamed to declare to one another their lust, being desirous to have to do with her: and they watched carefully every day to see her. And one said to the other: Let us now go home, for it is dinner time. So going out they departed one from another. And turning back again, they came both to the same place: and asking one another the cause, they acknowledged their lust: and then they agreed together upon a time when they might find her alone. And it fell out, as they watched a fit day, she went in on a time, as yesterday and the day before, with two maids only, and was desirous to wash herself in the orchard: for it was hot weather And 'there was nobody there, but the two old men that had hid themselves and were considering her. So she said to the maids: Bring me oil, and washing balls, and shut the doors of the orchard, that I may wash me. And they did as she bade them: and they shut the doors of the orchard, and went out by a back door to fetch what she had commanded them, and they knew not that the elders were hid within. Now when the maids were gone forth, the two elders arose, and ran to her, and said: Behold the doors of the orchard are shut, and nobody seeth us, and we are in love with thee, wherefore consent to us, and lie with us. But if thou wilt not, we will bear witness against thee, that a young man was with thee, and there-

fore thou didst send away thy maids from thee. Susanna sighed, and said: I am straitened on every side: for if I do this thing, it is death to me: and if I do it not, I shall not escape your hands. But it is better for me to fall into your hands without doing it, than to sin in the sight of the Lord. With that Susanna cried out with a loud voice: and the elders also cried out against her. And one of them ran to the door of the orchard, and opened So when the servants of the house heard the cry in the orchard, they rushed in by the back door, to see what was the matter. But after the old men had spoken, the servants were greatly ashamed, for never had there been any such word said of Susanna. And on the next day, when the people were come to Joakim her husband, the two elders also came, full of their wicked device against Susanna, to put her to death. And they said before the people: Send to Susanna, daughter of Helcias, the wife of Joakim. And they presently sent. And she came with her parents, and children, and all her kindred. Now Susanna was exceeding delicate, and beautiful to behold. But those wicked men commanded that her face should be uncovered (for she was covered) that so at least they might be satisfied with her beauty. Therefore her friends and all her acquaintance wept. But the two elders, rising up in the midst of the people, laid their hands upon her head. And she weeping looked up to heaven, for her heart had confidence in the Lord. And the elders said: As we walked in the orchard alone, this woman came in with two maids, and shut the doors of the orchard, and sent away the maids from her. Then a young man that was there hid, came to her, and lay with her. But we that were in the corner of the orchard, seeing this wickedness, ran up to them, and we saw them lie together. And as for him we could not take him, because he was stronger than we, and opening the doors he leaped

out but having taken this woman, we asked who the young man was, but she would not tell us: of this thing we are witnesses. The multitude believed them, as being the elders and judges of the people, and they condemned her to death. Then Susanna cried out with a loud voice, and said: O eternal God, who knowest hidden things, who knowest all things before they come to pass, thou knowest that they have borne false witness against me: and behold I must die, whereas I have done none of these things, which these men have maliciously forged against me. And the Lord heard her voice. And when she was led to be put to death, the Lord raised up the holy spirit of a young boy, whose name was Daniel: and he cried out with a loud voice: I am clear from the blood of this woman. Then all the people turning towards him, said: What meaneth this word that thou hast spoken? But he standing in the midst of them said: Are ve so foolish, ye children of Israel, that without examination or knowledge of the truth, ye have condemned a daughter of Israel? Return to judgment, for they have borne false witness against her. So all the people turned again in haste, and the old men said to him: Come and sit thou down among us, and shew it us: seeing God hath given thee the honour of old age. And Daniel said to the people: Separate these two far from one another, and I will examine them. So when they were put asunder one from the other, he called one of them and said to him: O thou that art grown old in evil days, now are thy sins come out which thou hast committed before: in judging unjust judgments, oppressing the innocent, and letting the guilty go free, whereas the Lord saith: the innocent and the just thou shalt not kill. Now then, if thou sawest her, tell me under what tree thou sawest them conversing together. He said: under a mastick tree. And Daniel

said: Well hast thou lied against thy own head for behold the angel of God having received the sentence of him, shall cut thee in two. And having put him aside, he commanded that the other should come, and he said to him: O thou seed of Chanaan, and not of Juda, beauty hath deceived thee, and lust hath perverted thy heart: thus did you do as to the daughters of Israel, and they for fear conversed with you; but a daughter of Juda would not abide your wickedness. Now, therefore, tell me under what tree didst thou take their conversing together? And he answered: under a holm tree. And Daniel said to him: Well has thou also lied against thy own head; for the angel of the Lord waiteth with a sword to cut thee in two, and to destroy thee, With that all the assembly cried out with a loud voice, and they blessed God, who saveth them that trust in him. And they rose up against the two elders (for Daniel had convicted them of false witness by their own mouth) and they did to them as they had maliciously dealt against their neighbour, to fulfil the law of Moses: and they put them to death, and innocent blood was saved in that day,

GRAD. Ps. xxii.—Though I should walk in the midst of the shadow of death, I will fear no evils, for thou art with me, O Lord. V. Thy rod and thy staff, they have comforted me.

GOSPEL. John viii. 1. 11.—At that time: Jesus went to mount Olivet. And early in the morning he came again into the temple, and all the people came to him, and sitting down he taught them. And the Scribes and Pharisees brings unto him a woman taken in adultery; and they set her in the midst, and said to him: Master, this woman was even now taken in adultery. Now Moses in the law commanded us to stone such a one. But what sayest thou? And this they said tempting him, that they might accuse him But Jesus bowing himself

down, wrote with his finger on the ground. When therefore they continued asking him, he lifted up himself, and said to them: He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her. And again stooping down, he wrote on the ground. But they hearing this, went out one by one, beginning at the eldest, and Jesus alone remained, and the woman standing in the midst. Then Jesus lifting up himself, said to her: Woman, where are they that accused thee? Hath no man condemned thee? Who said: No man, Lord. And Jesus said: Nei-

ther will I condemn thee. Go, and now sin no more. OFFERT. Ps. cxviii.—Direct my steps according to thy word, that no injustice may reign in me, O

Lord.

SECRET. Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that the offering of this sacrifice may cleanse and protect our frail nature from all evil.

COMM. John viii.—Woman, hath no man condemned thee? No man, Lord. Neither will I con-

demn thee. Now sin no more.

P. COMM. Quasumus.—We beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we may be reckoned among his members, whose body and blood we partake of. Who livest, &c.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God. PRAYER. Prætende.—Stretch forth, O Lord, over thy people, the right hand of thy heavenly aid, that they may seek thee with their whole heart, and mercifully obtain what they ask for as they ought. Thro'.

IV. SUNDAY IN LENT.

In the Mass of this day, the Church seems to forget the sentiments of penance with which she hath been occupied from the beginning of Lent. The rea-son whereof is, that formerly such as were to receive baptism at Easter, were enregistered, after having been examined this week: She also saw the time now

approaching for the reconciliation of the penitents whom she had subjected to public penance on Ash Wednesday. The future birth, therefore, of those who were judged worthy of the grace of baptism; and the resurrection to a new life of several of her children, who, after having gone astray, return to God by sincere conversion, is this day the subject of her joy.

INTROIT. Is. lxvi. Ps. cxxi.

P Ejoice, Jerusalem, A and meet together all you who love her: rejoice exceedingly, you who have been in sorrow, that you may leap for joy, and be satiated with comfort from her breasts.

Ps. I rejoiced at the things that were said to me: we shall go into the

house of the Lord.

T Ætare, Jerusalem, et Laconventum facite omnes qui diligitis eam : gaudete cum latitia, qui in tristitia fuistis, ut exultetis. et satiemini ab uberibus consolationis vestra.

Ps. cxxi. Latatus sum in his quæ dicta sunt mihi: in domum Domini ibimus.

V. Gloria.

V. Glory.

COLLECT. Concede.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we, who are justly afflicted according to our demerits, may be relieved by thy comforting grace. Thro'.

Gal. iv. 22. 31.—Brethren: It is EPISTLE. written that Abraham had two sons: the one by a bond-woman, and the other by a free-woman. But he who was of the bond-woman, was born according to the flesh: but he by the free-woman, was by promise. Which things are said by an allegory. For these are the two testaments. The one from Mount Sina, engendering unto bondage; which is Agar: for Sina is a mountain in Arabia, which hath affinity to that Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children. But that Jerusalem, which is above, is free; which is our mother. it is written: "Rejoice, thou barren, that bearest not: break forth and cry, thou that travailest not:

for many are the children of the desolate, more than of her that hath a husband." Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are the children of promise. But as then, he that was born according to the flesh, persecuted him that was after the spirit: so also it is now. But what saith the scripture? "Cast out the bond-woman and her son: for the son of the bond-woman shall not be heir with the son of the free-woman." So then, brethren, we are not children of the bond-woman, but of the free; by the freedom wherewith Christ hath made us free.

GRAD. Ps. cxxi.—I rejoiced at the things that were said to me; we shall go into the house of the Lord.

V. Let peace be in thy strength, and abundance in

thy towers.

TRACT. Ps. exxiv.—Qui confidunt in Domino, sicut mons Sion: non commovebitur in æternum, qui habitat in Jerusalem. They that trust in the Lord, shall be as mount Sion: he shall not be moved forever that delleth in Jerusalem. V. Mountains are round about it; so the Lord is round about his people from henceforth now and for ever.

GOSPEL. John. vi. 1. 15.—At that time: Jesus went over the sea of Galilee, which is that of Tiberias: and a great multitude followed him, because they saw the miracles which he did on them that were diseased. Jesus therefore went up into a mountain, and there he sat with his disciples. Now the pasch, the festival day of the Jews, was near at hand. When Jesus therefore had lifted up his eyes, and seen that a very great multitude cometh tc him, he said to Philip: Whence shall we buy bread that these may eat? And this he said to try him: for he himself knew what he would do. Philip answered him Two hundred penny-worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one may take a little. One of his disciples, Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter,

saith to him: There is a boy here that hath five barley loaves, and two fishes; but what are they among so many? Then Jesus said: Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. The men therefore sat down, in number about five thousand. And Jesus took the loaves; and when he had given thanks, he distributed to them that were sat down. In like manner also of the fishes, as much as they would, and when they were filled, he said to his disciples: Gather up the fragments that remain, lest they be lost. They gathered up therefore, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves, which remained over and above to them that had eaten. Now these men, when they had seen what a miracle Jesus had done, said: This is of a truth the prophet that is to come into the world. Jesus therefore when he knew that they would come to take him by force and make him king, fled again into the mountain himself alone. Credo.

OFFERT. Ps. exxxiv.—Praise ye the Lord, for he is good: sing ye to his name, for it is weet: what he pleased he hath done, in heaven and on earth.

SECRET. We beseech thee, O Lord, mercifully regard this present sacrifice, that it may both increase our devotion, and advance our salvation. Thro.

COMMUNION. Ps. exxi.—Jerusalem, which is built as a city, which is compact together: for thither did the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord; to praise thy name, O Lord.

P. COMM. Da nobis.—Grant, we beseech thee, O merciful God, that we may sincerely respect, and receive with faith thy holy mysteries, with which thou daily feedest us.

MONDAY.

INTROIT. Ps. liji.—Save me, O God, by thy name, and judge me in thy strength: O God, hear

my prayer; give ear to the words of my mouth P_s . For strangers have risen up against me; and the mighty have sought after my soul. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Præsta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we, who annually celebrate this holy fast, may be well pleasing to thee both in body and mind. Thro'.

LESSON. 3 Kings i. 16. 28. - In those days: Two women that were harlots, came to king Solomon, and stood before him: and one of them said: I beseech thee, my Lord, I and this woman dwelt in one house, and I was delivered of a child with her in the chamber. And the third day after that I was delivered, she also was delivered; and we were together and no other person with us in the house, only we two. And this woman's child died in the night. For in her sleep she overlaid him. And rising in the dead time of the night, she took my child from my side, while thy handmaid was asleep, and laid it in her bosom: and laid her dead child in my bosom. And when I rose in the morning to give my child suck, behold it was dead; but considering him more diligently when it was clear day, I found that it was not mine which I bore. And the other woman answered: It is not so as thou savest. but thy child is dead, and mine is alive. On the contrary she said: Thou liest: for my child liveth, and thy child is dead. And in this manner they strove before the king. Then saith the king: The one saith, my child is alive, and thy child is dead. And the other answereth, Nay, but thy child is dead, and mine liveth. The king therefore said: Bring me a sword. And when they had brought a sword before the king, divide, said he, the living child in two, and give half to the one, and half to the other. But the woman, whose child was alive. said to the king (for her bowels were moved upon her child), I beseech thee, my Lord, give her the

child alive and do not kill it. But the other said: Let it be neither mine nor thine, but divide it. The king answered and said: Give the living child to this woman, and let it not be killed, for she is the mother thereof. And all Israel heard the judgment which the king had judged, and they feared the king, seeing that the wisdom of God was in him to do judgment.

GRAD. Ps. xxx.—Be thou unto me a God, a protector, and a house of refuge to save me. V. Ps. lxx. In thee, O God, have I hoped: O Lord, let me never

e confounded.

* TRACT. Ps. cii.—Deal not, p. 117.

GOSPEL. John ii. 13, 25,-At that time: The pasch of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up 10 Jerusalem, and he found in the temple them that sold oxen, and sheep, and doves, and the changers of money sitting. And when he had made as it were a scourge of little cords, he drove them all out of the temple, the sheep also and the oxen, and the money of the changers he poured out, and the tables he overthrew. And he said to them that sold doves: Take these things hence, and make not the house of my Father a house of traffic. And his disciples re-nembered that it was written: "The zeal of thy house hath eaten me up." Then the Jews answered, and said to him: What sign dost thou shew us seeing thou dost these things? Jesus answered, and said to them: Destroy this temple, and in three lays I will raise it up. The Jews then said: Six and forty years was this temple in building, and wilt thou raise it in three days? But he spoke of the temple of his body. When therefore he was visen again from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture, and the word that Jesus had said. Now when he was at Jerusalem, at the pasch, upon the festival day, many believed in his name, seeing his signs

which he did. But Jesus did not trust himself to them, because he knew all men, and because he needed not that any should give testimony of man, for he knew what was in man.

OFFERT. Ps. xcix.—Sing joyfully to God, all the earth; serve the Lord with gladness; come before his presence with exceeding great joy, for he the

Lord himself is God.

SECRET. May the sacrifice we have offered thee, O Lord, always give us life, and defend us. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xviii.—From my secret sins cleanse me, O Lord, and from those of others: spare thy servant.

P. COMM. Sumptis.—May the receiving of these saving mysteries, we beseech thee, O Lord, advance our eternal redemption. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Deprecationem.—We beseech thee, O Lord, hear our prayer, and grant us thy protection, as it is thou who inspirest us to ask it. Thro'.

TUESDAY.

INTROIT. Ps. liv.—Hear, O God, my prayer, and despise not my supplication: be attentive to me and hear me. Ps. I am grieved in my exercise; and troubled at the voice of the enemy, and at the tribulation of the sinner. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Sacra.—We beseech thee, O Lord, that the holy fast we observe may be to our improvement in holy conversation, and draw down upon us

the constant succours of thy mercy. Thro'.

LESSON. Exod. xxxii. 7. 14.—In those days: The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: Go, get thee down: thy people, which thou hast brought out of the land of Egypt, hath sinned. They have quickly strayed from the way which thou didst shew them, and they have made to themselves a molten calf, and have adored it, and sacrificing victims to it, have

said: These are thy gods, O Israel, that have brought thee out of the land of Egypt. And again the Lord said to Moses: I see that this people is stiff-necked: let me alone, that my wrath may be kindled against them, and that I may destroy them, and I will make of thee a great nation. But Moses besought the Lord his God, saying: Why, O Lord, is thy indignation enkindled against thy people, whom thou hast brought out of the land of Egypt, with great power, and with a mighty hand? Let not the Egyptians say, I beseech thee: He craftily brought them out, that he might kill them in the . mountains, and destroy them from the earth: let thy anger cease, and be appeased upon the wickedness of thy people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel thy servants, to whom thou sworest by thy own self, saying: I will multiply your seed as the stars of heaven: and this whole land that I have spoken of. I will give to your seed, and you shall possess it for ever. And the Lord was appeased from doing the evil which he had spoken against his people.

GRAD. Ps. xliii.—Arise, O Lord, help us, and redeem us for thy name's sake. V. We have heard, O God, with our ears; our fathers have declared to us the work thou hast wrought in their days; in the

days of old.

GOSPEL. John vii. 14. 31.—At that time: About the midst of the feast, Jesus went up into the temple and taught. And the Jews wondered, saying: How doth this man know letters, having never learned? Jesus answered them, and said: My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me. If any man will do the will of him, he shall know of the doctrine whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself. He that speaketh of himself, seeketh his own glory: but he that seeketh the glory of him that sent him, he is true, and there is no injustice in him. Did not Moses give you the law? and yet

none of you keepeth the law. Why seek you to kill me? The multitude answered and said: Thou hast a devil: Who seeketh to kill thee? Jesus answered, and said to them: One work I have done: and you all wonder: therefore Moses gave you circumcision: (not because it is of Moses, but of the fathers,) and on the Sabbath-day you circumcise a man. If a man receive circumcision on the Sabbath-day, that the law of Moses may not be broken; are you angry at me, because I have healed the whole man on the Sabbath-day? Judge not according to the appearance, but judge just judgment. Some therefore of Jerusalem said: Is not this he whom they seek to kill? And behold he speaketh openly, and they say nothing to him. Have the rulers known for a truth that this is the Christ? But we know this man whence he is; but when the Christ cometh, no man knoweth whence he is. Jesus therefore cried out in the temple, teaching and saving: You both know me, and you know whence I am: and I am not come of myself; but he that sent me is true, whom you know not, I know him, because I am from him, and he hath sent me. They sought therefore to apprehend him: and no man laid hands on him, because his hour was not yet come. But of the people many believed in him.

OFFERT. Ps. xxxix. With expectation I have waited for the Lord, and he hath looked upon me: and he heard my prayer; and hath put into my

mouth a new canticle, a hymn to our God.

SECRET. May this offering, O Lord, we beseech thee, cleanse away our sins: and sanctify both the bodies and souls of thy servants for worthily celebrating this sacrifice. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xix.—We will rejoice in thy salvation: and in the name of the Lord our God we shall

be exalted.

P. COMM. Hujus nos.—May the receiving of R 2

this sacrament, O Lord, purify us from sin, and bring us to the kingdom of heaven. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God. PRAYER. Miserere.—Take compassion, O Lord. on thy people: and mercifully refresh them labouring under continual tribulations. Thro'.

WEDNESDAY.

INTROIT. Ezech. xxxvi.-When I shall have been sanctified amongst you, I will gather you from all nations: and I will pour upon you clean water, and you shall be cleansed from all your sins; and I will give you a new spirit. Ps. xxxiii. I will bless the Lord at all times: his praise shall be always in my mouth. V. Glory.

Immediately after Kyrie eleison, &c. is said: Let us pray. Let us kneel down. R. Stand up again.

COLLECT. Deus qui.—O God, who givest to the righteous the reward of their good works, and by fasting, pardon to sinners; have mercy on thy suppliants, that the acknowledgment of our guilt may procure us the remission of our sins. Thro'.

LESSON. Ezech. xxxvi. 23. 28.—Thus saith the Lord God: I will sanctify my great name, which was profaned among the Gentiles, which you have profaned in the midst of them: that the Gentiles may know that I am the Lord, saith the Lord of Hosts, when I shall be sanctified in you before their eyes. For I will take you from among the Gentiles, and will gather you together out of all the countries, and will bring you into your own land And I will pour upon you clean water, and you shall be cleansed from all your filthiness, and I will cleanse you from all your idols. And I will give you a new heart, and put a new spirit within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and will give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my spirit in the midst of you, and I will cause you to walk in my commandments, and to keep my judgments, and do them. And you shall dwell in the land which I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God, saith the Almighty.

GRAD. Ps. xxxiii. — Come, children, hearken to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord. V. Come ye to him, and be enlightened: and your face shall not be confounded.

II. COLLECT. Præsta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that the devotion, which makes us punish ourselves by this yearly fast, may also make us rejoice to the end that, suppressing in ourselves all earthly affections, we may more easily receive thy heavenly inspirations. Thro'.

II. LESSON. Is. 1.16. 19.—Thus saith the Lord God: Wash yourselves, be clean, take away the evil of your devices from my eyes: cease to do perversely, learn to do well: seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge for the fatherless, defend the widow. And then come, and accuse me, saith the Lord: if your sins be as the scarlet, they shall be made as white as snow: and if they be red as crimson, they shall be white as wool. If you be willing, and will hearken to me, you shall eat the good things of the land, saith the Lord Almighty.

GRAD. Ps. xxxii.—Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord: the people whom he hath chosen for his inheritance. V. By the word of the Lord the neavens were established; and all the power of them

by the spirit of his mouth.

*TRACT. Ps. cii.—Deal not, p. 117.

GOSPEL. John ix. 1. 38.—At that time: Jesus passing by, saw a man that was blind from his birth; and his disciples asked him: Rabbi, who hath sinned, this man, or his parents, that he should be born blind? Jesus answered: Neither hath this

man sinned, nor his parents; but that the works of God should be made manifest in him. I must work the works of him that sent me, whilst it is day: the night cometh when no man can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world. When he had said these things, he spat on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and spread the clay upon his eyes, and said to him: Go, wash in the pool of Siloe, which is interpreted, Sent. He went his way therefore, and washed, and he came seeing. The neighbours therefore, and they who had seen him before, that he was a beggar, said: Is not this he that sat and begged? Some said, This is he. But others said: No, but he is like him. But he said: I am he. They said therefore to him: How were thine eyes opened? He answered: That man that is called Jesus, made clay, and anointed mine eyes, and said to me: Go to the pool of Siloe, and wash. And I went, I washed, and I see. And they said to him: Where is he? He saith: I know not They bring him that had been blind to the Pharisees. Now it was the Sabbath, when Jesus made the clay, and opened his eyes. Again therefore the Pharisees asked nim how he had received his sight. But he said to them: He put clay upon my eyes, and I washed, and I see. Some therefore of the Pharisees said: this man is not of God who keepeth not the Sabbath. But others said: How can a man that is a sinner do such miracles? And there was a division among them. They say therefore to . the blind man again: What sayest thou of him that hath opened thy eyes? And he said: He is a pro-The Jews then did not believe concerning him, that he had been blind, and had received his sight, until they called the parents of him that had received his sight, and asked them, saying: Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then doth he now see? His parents answered them, and

said: We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind: but how he now seeth we know not: or who hath opened his eyes we know not: ask himself; he is of age; let him speak for himself. These things his parents said, because they feared the Jews: for the Jews had already agreed among themselves, that if any man should confess him to be Christ, he should be put out of the synagogue. Therefore did his parents say: He is of age, ask him. They therefore called the man again that had been blind, and said to him: Give glory to God, We know that this man is a sinner. He said then to them: If he be a sinner, I know flot: one thing I know, that whereas I was blind, now I see. Then they said to him: What did he to thee? How did he open thy eyes? He answered them: I have told you already, and you have heard: why would you hear it again: will you also become his disciples? They reviled him, therefore, and said: Be thou his disciple; but we are the disciples of Moses. We know that God spoke to Moses: but as to this man, we know not from whence he is. The man answered, and said to them: Why, herein is a wonderful thing, that you know not from whence he is, and he hath opened my eyes. Now we know that God doth not hear sinners; but if a man be a server of God, and doth his will, him he heareth. From the beginning of the world it hath not been heard. that any man hath opened the eyes of one born blind. Unless this man were of God, he could not do any thing. They answered and said to him: Thou was wholly born in sins, and dost thou teach us? And they cast him out. Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when he had found him, he said to him: Dost thou believe in the Son of God? answered, and said: Who is he, Lord, that I may believe in him? And Jesus said to him: Thou hast both seen him and it is he that talketh with thee

And he said: I believe, Lord. And falling down. he adored him.

OFFERT. Ps. lxv.-O bless the Lord our God. ye Gentiles; and make the voice of his praise be received who hath set my soul to live: and hath not suffered my feet to be moved. Blessed be the Lord, who hath not turned away my prayer, nor his mercy from me.

SECRET. We humbly beseech thee, O Almighty God, that our sins may be cleansed away by this sacrifice: because then thou wilt bestow on us true health both of body and soul. Thro'.

COMM. John ix.—The Lord made clay of spittle, and anointed my eyes: and I went and washed and

saw, and believed in God.

P. COMM. Sacramenta.—May the mysteries, O Lord our God, which we have received, both feed our souls and protect our bodies. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Pateant.—May the ears of thy mercy, O Lord, be opened to the prayers of thy servants: and in order to obtain the effect of our petitions, grant we may ask what is pleasing to thee. Thro'.

THURSDAY.

INTROIT. Ps. civ.-Let the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord: seek ye the Lord, and be strengthened: seek his face evermore. Ps. Praise the Lord, and call upon his name: publish his

works among the Gentiles. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Præsta, quæsumus. — Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that the devotion, which makes us punish ourselves by this yearly fast, may also make us rejoice: to the end that, suppressing in ourselves all earthly affections, we 'may more easily receive thy heavenly inspirations. Thro'.

LESSON. 4 Kings iv. 25. 38.—In those days.

A Sunamitess came to Eliseus on mount Carmel;

and when the man of God saw her coming towards him, he said to Giezi his servant: Behold that Sunamitess. Go therefore to meet her, and say to her: Is all well with thee, and with thy husband, and with thy son? And she answered: Well. And when she came to the man of God to the mount, she caught hold on his feet: and Giezi came to remove her. And the man of God said: Let her alone, for her soul is in anguish, and the Lord hath hid it from me, and hath not told me. And she said to him: Did I ask a son of my Lord? Did I not say to thec: Do not deceive me? Then he said to Giezi: Gird up thy loins, and take up my staff in thy hand, and go. If any man meet thee, salute him not: and if any man salute thee, answer him not: and lay my staff upon the face of the child. But the mother of the child said: As the Lord liveth, and as my soul liveth, I will not leave thee. He arose, therefore, and followed her. But Giezi was gone before them and laid the staff upon the face of the child, and there was no voice nor sense: and he returned to meet him, and told him, saying: The child is not risen. Eliseus therefore went into the house, and behold the child lay dead on his bed. And going in he shut the door upon him, and upon the child, and prayed to the Lord. And he went up, and lay upon the child: and he put his mouth upon his mouth, and his eyes upon his eyes, and his hands upon his hands: and he bowed himself upon him, and the child's flesh grew warm. Then he returned and walked in the house, once to and fro: and he went up and lay upon him: and the child gaped seven times, and opened his eyes. And he called Giezi, and said to him: Call this Sunamitess. And she being called went in to him. And he said: up thy son. She came and fell at his feet, and worshipped upon the ground, and took up her son.

and went out. And Eliseus returned to Galgal.

GRAD. Ps. lxxiii.—Look down, O Lord, on thy covenant, and forget not for ever the souls of thy poor servants. V. Arise, O Lord, judge thy cause: remember the reproaches that are cast on thy servants.

GOSPEL. Luke vii. 11. 16.—At that time; Jesus went into a city called Naim: and there went Jesus went into a city caned nam: and mere went with him his disciples, and a great multitude. And when he came nigh to the city, behold a dead man was carried out, the only son of his mother; and she was a widow: and much people of the city were with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her, and said to her: Weep not. And he came near and touched the bier. And they that carried it, stood still. And he said: Young man, I say to thee, arise. And he that was dead, sat up, and began to speak. And he delivered him to his mother. And there came a fear on them all: and they glorified God, saying: A great prophet is risen up amongst us, and God hath visited his people.

OFFERT. Ps. lxix.—Lord, make haste to help me: let all be put to shame, who design evil to thy

servants.

SECRET. Purify us, O merciful God, that the prayers of thy Church, which are pleasing to thee, being accompanied with these offerings, may become more so by the purity of our minds. Thro?.

COMM. Ps. lxx.—Thy justice alone, O Lord, I will remember: thou, O God, hast instructed me from my youth: abandon me not, O God, in my old and decrepit age.

P. COMM. Collectice. Let us not the beauty of the property of the

P. COMM. Calestia.—Let us not, we beseech thee, O Lord, receive, to our judgment, these heavenly gifts, which thou hast prepared as a remedy for thy faithful. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God. PRAYER. Populi.—O God, the author and governor of thy people, deliver them from the sins, by which they are assaulted, that they may be always well pleasing in thy sight, and safe under thy protection. Thro'.

FRIDAY.

INTROIT. Ps. xviii.—The meditation of my heart is always in thy sight: O Lord, my helper and my redeemer. Ps. The heavens shew forth the glory of God, and the firmament declareth the

work of his hands. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Deus qui.—O God, who by thy ineffable mysteries givest new life to the world; grant, we beseech thee, that thy Church may advance in the observance of thy eternal precepts, and never be destitute of thy temporal assistance. Thro'.

LESSON. 3 Kings xvii. 17. 24.-In those days: The son of the woman, the mistress of the house, fell sick, and the sickness was very grievous, so that there was no breath left in him. And she said to Elias: what have I to do with thee, thou man of God? Art thou come to me, that my iniquities should be remembered, and that thou shouldst kill my son? And Elias said to her: Give me thy son. And he took him out of her bosom, and carried him into the upper chamber where he abode, and laid him upon his own bed. And he cried to the Lord and said: O Lord, my God, hast thou afflicted also the widow, with whom I am after a sort maintained, so as to kill her son? And he stretched, and measured himself upon the child three times, and cried to the Lord and said: O Lord my God, let the soul of this child, I beseech thee, return into his body. And the Lord heard the voice of Fliss and the soul of the child return. ed unto him, and he revived. And Elias took the child, and brought him down from the upper cham ber to the house below, and delivered him to his mother, and said to her: Behold thy son liveth. And the woman said to Elias: Now, by this I know thou art a man of God, and the word of the Lord in thy mouth is true.

GRAD. Ps. cxvii.—It is good to confide in the Lord rather than to have confidence in man. V. It is good to trust in the Lord, rather than to trust in princes.

* TRACT. Ps. cii.—Deal not, p. 117. GOSPEL. John xi. 1. 45.—At that time: There was a certain man sick named Lazarus, of Bethania, of the town of Mary, and of Martha her sister. (And Mary was she that anointed the Lord with ointment, and wiped his feet with her hair. whose brother Lazarus was sick.) His sisters therefore sent to him, saying: Lord, behold, he whom thou lovest is sick. And Jesus hearing it, said to them: This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God: that the Son of God may be glorified by it. Now Jesus loved Martha, and her sister Mary, and Lazarus. When he had heard therefore that he was sick, he still remained in the same place two days Then after that he said to his disciples: Let us go into Judea again. The disciples say to him: Rabbi, the Jews but now sought to stone thee, and goest thou thither again? Jesus answered: Are there not twelve hours of the day? If a man walk in the day, he stumbleth not, because he seeth the light of this world: but if he walk in the night he stumbleth, because the light is not in him. These things he said: and after that he said to them: Lazarus our friend sleepeth; but I go that I may awake him out of his sleep. His disciples therefore said: Lord, if he sleep he shall do well. But Jesus spoke of his death; and they thought that he spoke of the repose

of sleep. Then therefore Jesus said to them plainly: Lazarus is dead; and I am glad for your sakes, that I was not there, that you may believe: but let us go to him. Thomas therefore, who is called Didymus, said to his fellow disciples. Let us also go, that we may die with him. Jesus therefore came. and found that he had been four days already in the (Now Bethania was near Jerusalem, about fifteen furlongs off.) And many of the Jews were come to Martha and Mary, to comfort them concerning their brother. Martha, therefore, as soon as she heard that Jesus was come, went to meet him: but Mary sat at home. Martha, therefore said to Jesus: Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died; but now also I know, that whatsoever thou wilt ask of God, God will give it thee. Jesus saith to her: Thy brother shall rise again. Martha saith to him: I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day. Jesus said to her: I am the resurrection and the life; he that believeth in me. although he be dead, shall live: and every one that liveth, and believeth in me, shall not die for ever Believest thou this? She saith to him: Yea, Lord, I have believed that thou art Christ, the Son of the living God, who art come into this world. when she had said these things, she went, and called her sister Mary secretly, saying: The Master is come, and calleth for thee. She, as soon as she heard this, riseth quickly, and cometh to him; for Jesus was not yet come into the town; but he was still in that place where Martha had met him. The Jews therefore, who were with her in the house, and comforted her, when they saw Mary that she rose up speedily, and went out, followed her saying: She goeth to the grave, to weep there. When Mary therefore was come where Jesus was, seeing him, she fell down at his feet, and saith to him; Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died.

Jesus therefore, when he saw her weeping, and the Jews that were come with her, weeping, he groaned in the spirit, and troubled himself. And said: Where have you laid him? They say to him: Lord, come and see. And Jesus wept. The Jews there fore said: Behold how he loved him. But some of them said: Could not he, that opened the eyes of the man born blind, have caused that this man should not die? Jesus therefore again groaning in himself, cometh to the sepulchre; now it was a cave, and a stone was laid over it. Jesus saith: Take away the stone. Martha, the sister of him that was dead, saith to him: Lord, by this time he stinketh, for it is now the fourth day. Jesus saith to her: Did not I say to thee, that if thou believe, thou shalt see the glory of God? They took therefore the stone away: And Jesus lifting up his eyes, said: Father, I give thee thanks that thou hast heard me. And I know that thou hearest me always, but because of the people who stand about have I said it that they may believe that thou hast sent me. When he had said these things, he cried with a loud voice: Lazarus, come forth. And presently he that had been dead came forth, bound feet and hands with winding bands, and his face was bound about with a napkin. Jesus said to them: Loose him and let him go. Many therefore of the Jews, who were come to Mary and Martha, and had seen the things that Jesus did, believed in him.

OFFERT. Ps. xvii.—Thou, O Lord, wilt save the humble people; but wilt bring down the eyes of the proud: for who is God, but thee, O Lord? SECRET. May these offerings, we beseech thee,

SECRET. May these offerings, we beseech thee, O Lord, purify us, and always render thee propitious. Thro'.

COMM. John xi.—The Lord seeing the sisters of Lazarus weeping at the grave, wept before the

Jews, and cried out: Lazarus, come forth. And he who had been dead four days, came forth bound hands and feet.

P. COMM. Hac.—May the receiving of this sacrament, we beseech thee, O Lord, ever free us from our sins, and protect us from all adversity. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Da nobis.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we, who are sensible of our own werkness, and confide in thy power, may always rejoice in the effects of thy goodness. Thro'.

SATURDAY.

INTROIT. Is. lv.—You that thirst, come to the waters, saith the Lord: and you that have no money, come and drink with joy. Ps. lxxvii. Attend, O my people, to my law: incline your ears to the words of my mouth. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Fiat Domine.—Grant us, O Lord, we beseech thee, an increase of devotion: for then only will our fasts avail us, when they are well pleasing to thy goodness. Thro'.

LESSON. Is. xlix. 8. 15.—Thus saith the Lord: In an acceptable time I have heard thee, and in the day of salvation I have helped thee: and I have preserved thee, and given thee to be a covenant of the people, that thou mightest raise up the earth, and possess the inheritances that were destroyed; that thou mightest say to them that are bound: Come forth: and to them that are in darkness: Shew yourselves. They shall feed in the ways, and their pastures shall be in every plain. They shall not hunger. nor thirst, neither shall the heat nor the sun strike them; for he that is merciful to them shall be their shepherd, and at the fountains of waters he shall give them drink. And I will

make all my mountains a way, and my paths shall be exalted. Behold these shall come from afar, and behold these from the north and from the sea, and these from the south country. Give praise, O ye heavens, and rejoice, O earth, ye mountains give praise with jubilation; because the Lord hath comforted his people, and will have mercy on his poor ones! And Sion said: The Lord hath forsaken me, and the Lord hath forgotten me. Can a woman forget her infant, so as not to have pity on the son of her womb? And if she should forget, ye. will I not forget thee, saith the Lord Almighty.

GRAD. Ps. x.—To thee, O Lord, is the poor man left; thou wilt be the helper of the orphan. V. Why, O Lord, hast thou retired afar off? Why dost thou despise us in our wants and affliction? Whilst the wicked man is proud, the poor man is set on fire.

GOSPEL. John viii. 12. 20. - At that time: Jesus spoke to the multitude of the Jews, saying: I am the light of the world: he that followeth me, walketh not in darkness, but shall have the light of life. The Pharisees therefore said to him: Thou givest testimony of thyself: thy testimony is not arue Jesus answered, and said to them: Although I give testimony of myself, my testimony is true; for I know whence I came, and whither I go: but you know not whence I come, or whither I go. judge according to the flesh: I judge not any man. And if I do judge, my judgment is true: because I am not alone; but I and the father that sent me. And in your law it is written, that the testimony of two men is true. I am one that give testimony of myself: and the Father that sent me, giveth testimony of me. They said therefore to him: Where is thy father? Jesus answered: Neither me do you know, nor my Father: if you did know me, perhaps you would know my Father also. These words Jesus spoke in the treasury, teaching in the temple: and

ne man laid hands on him, because his hour was not yet come.

OFFERT. Ps. xvii.—The Lord is my firmament, my refuge, and my deliverer: and in him will I hope.

SECRET. Be appeased, O Lord, we beseech thee, with these our offerings; and, in thy mercy, compel our will, even when it rebelleth, to submit to thee. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xxii.—The Lord ruleth me: and I shall want nothing, he hath set me in a place of pasture; he hath brought me up on the water of refreshment.

P. COMM. Tua nos.—May thy sacred mysteries, O Lord, we beseech thee, purify us, and, by their efficacy, make us well pleasing to thee. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Deus qui.—O God, who choosest rather to shew mercy, than to be angry with those that hope in thee: grant we may worthily lament the evil we have committed, that so we may find the favour of thy comfort. Thro'.

PASSION SUNDAY.

THE two last weeks of Lent are, in a particular manner, consecrated to the Passion of Jesus Christ. And although that upon which we are now entering, be only a preparation to the following, and the Church represents therein other objects to our thoughts, the passion of Christ is nevertheless often referred to, for which reason this day is called Passion-sunday.

The Psalm Judica, as well as the Gloria Patri, at the Introit, is omitted; and those who have written on the Liturgy, assert this to be agreeable to the ancient practice. They further in general observe, that the particular ceremonies of these two last weeks, but more especially of the three last days in Lent, are venerable remains

of ancient usages.

INTROIT. Ps. xlii.

JUDGE me, O God, and distinguish my cause from the nation that is not holy: deliver me from the unjust and deceitful man: for thou art my God and my strength. Ps. Send forth thy light and thy truth: for they have conducted me, and brought me to thy holy mount, and into thy tabernacles. Judge me, &c.

JUDICA me, Deus, et discerne causam meam de gente non sancta. Ab homine iniquo et doloso eripe me: quia, tu es Deus meus, et fortitudo mea.

Ps. Emitte lucem tuam et veritatem tuam: ipsa me deduxerunt et adduxerunt in montem sanctum tuum, et in tabernacula tua. Judica me &c.

Gloria Patri is omitted till Easter.

COLLECT. Quasumus.—Mercifully look down on thy people, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that, by thy bounty and protection, they may be governed and guarded both in body and soul. Thro?

EPISTLE. Heb. ix. 11. 15.—Brethren: Christ being come an high priest of the good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation: neither by the blood of goats, or of calves, but by his own blood, entered once into the Holies, having obtained eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and of oxen, and the ashes of an heifer being sprinkled, sanctify such as are defiled, to the cleansing of the flesh: how much more shall the blood of Christ (who by the Holy Ghost offered himself unspotted unto God) cleanse our conscience from dead works to serve the living God? And therefore he is the mediator of the new testament: that by means of his death, for the redemption of those ransgressions which were under the former testament, they that are called may receive the promise of eternal inheritance.

GRAD. Ps. cxlii.—Deliver me, O Lord, from my enemies; teach me to do thy will. Ps. xvii. Thou, O Lord, art my deliverer from the enraged Gentiles: thou wilt put me out of the reach of those that assault me: and thou wilt rescue me from the unrighteous man.

* TRACT. Ps. exxviii.—Sæpe expugnaverunt me a juventute mea. Many a time have they fought against me from my youth. V. Let Israel now say: They have often attacked me from my youth. V. But they could not prevail over me: the wicked have wrought upon my back. V. They have lengthened their iniquity: the Lord, who is just, will cut the necks of sinners.

GOSPEL. John viii. 46, 59.—At that time: Jesus said to the multitude of the Jews: Which of you shall convince me of sin? If I say the truth to you, why do you not believe me? He that is of God, heareth the words of God. Therefore you hear them not because you are not of God. The Jews therefore answered; and said to him: Do not we say well that thou art a Samaritan and hast a devil? Jesus answered, I have not a devil: but I honour my Fa ther, and you have dishonoured me. But I seek not my own glory: there is one that seeketh and judgeth. Amen, amen, I say to you: If any man keep my word, he shall not see death for ever. The Jews therefore said: Now we know that thou hast a devil. Abraham is dead, and the prophets: and thou sayest: If any man keep my word, he shall not taste death for ever. Art thou greater than our Father Abraham, who is dead? and the prophets are dead. Whom dost thou make thyself? Jesus answered: If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father that glorifieth me, of whom

you say that he is your God. And you have not known him, but I know him. And if I should say that I know him not, I should be like to you, a liar, But 1 do know him, and do keep his word. Abraham your father rejoiced that he might see my day: he saw it, and was glad. The Jews then said to him: Thou art not yet fifty years old, and hast thou seen Abraham? Jesus said to them: Amen, amen, I say to you, before Abraham was made, I am. They took up stones therefore to cast at him. But Jesus hid himself, and went out of the temple.

OFFERT. Ps. cxviii.—I will praise thee, O Lord, with my whole heart: reward thy servant: shall live, and keep thy commandments: save me

according to thy word, O Lord.

SECRET. May these offerings, O Lord, both loosen the bonds of our wickedness, and obtain for us the gifts of thy mercy. Thro'.

Preface. *Qui salutem humani generis, p. xxx. COMM. This is the body which shall be delivered up for you: this is the cup of the new covenant in my blood, saith the Lord. As often as you receive them do it in remembrance of me.

P. COMM. Adesto.—Help us, O Lord our God, and forever protect those whom thou hast refreshed

with thy sacred mysteries. Thro'.

MONDAY.

INTROIT. Ps. lv.—Have mercy on me, O Lord, for man hath trodden me under foot: all the day long he hath afflicted me fighting against me. Ps. My enemies have trodden on me all the day long, for they are many that make war against me. Have mercy. &c. to Ps.

COLLECT. Sanctifica.—Sanctify, O. Lord, we beseech thee, our fasts, and mercifully grant us the pardon of all our sins. Thro'.

LESSON. Jonas iii. 1. 10.—In those days: The

word of the Lord came to Jonas the second time. saying. Arise and go to Ninive the great city: and preach in it the preaching that I bid thee. And Jonas arose, and went to Ninive according to the word of the Lord: now Ninive was a great city of three days journey. And Jonas began to enter into the city one day's journey: and he cried and said: Yet forty days and Ninive shall be destroyed. And the men of Ninive believed in God: and they proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth from the greatest to the least. And the word came to the King of Ninive: and he rose up out of his throne, and ast away his robe from him, and was clothed with sackcloth, and sat in askes. And he caused it to be proclaimed and published in Ninive from the mouth of the king and of his princes, saying: Let neither men nor beasts, oxen nor sheep, taste any thing: let them not feed, nor drink water. And let men and beasts be covered with sackcloth, and cry to the Lord with all their strength, and let them turn every one from his evil way, and from the iniquity that is in their hands. Who can tell if God will furn. and forgive: and will turn away from his fierce anger, and we shall not perish? And God saw their works, that they were turned from their evil way: and the Lord our God had mercy on the people.

GRAD. Ps. liii.—O God, hear my prayer: give ear to the words of my mouth. V. Save me, O God, by thy name, and rescue me by thy might.

* TRACT. Ps. cii.-Deal not, p. 117.

GOSPEL. John vii. 32. 39.—At that time: The rulers and Pharisees sent ministers to apprehend Jesus. Jesus therefore said to them: Yet a little while I am with you: and then I go to him that sent me. You shall seek me, and shall not find me and where I am, thither you cannot come. The Jews therefore, said among themselves: Whither

will he go, that we shall not find him? will ne go to the dispersed among the Gentiles, and teach the Gentiles? What is this saying that he hath said: You shall seek me, and shall not find me; and ; where I am you cannot come? And on the last and great day of the festival, Jesus stood and cried, saying: if any man thirst, let him come to me, and drink. He that believeth in me, as the scripture saith, "Out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water." Now this he said of the Spirit which they should receive who believed in him.

OFFERT. Ps. vi.—Turn to me, O Lord, and deliver my soul: O save me for thy mercy's sake.

SECRET. Grant us, O Lord our God, that the sacrifice of our salvation may both cleanse us from our sins, and appease thy Majesty. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xxiii.—The Lord of Hosts, he is the King of Glory.

P. COMM. Sacramenti.—May the participation, O Lord, we beseech thee, of this saving sacrifice both cleanse us and heal us. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Da quæsumus.—Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, to thy people health both of body and mind, that being constant in the practice of good works, they may always be safe under thy protection. Thro'.

TUESDAY.

INTROIT. Ps. xxvi.-Expect the Lord, do manfully, and let thy heart take courage, and wait thou for the Lord. Ps. The Lord is my light and my salvation, whom shall I fear?

COLLECT. Nostra.-May our fast, O Lord, we beseech thee, be acceptable to thee, and, havir a purified us from sin, make us worthy of thy grae and procure us everlasting remedies. Thro.

LESSON. Dan. xiv. 27. 42.—In those days: The people of Babylon gathered together against the king, and said to him: Deliver up to us Daniel, who hath desthoyed Bel, and killed the Dragon, otherwise we will destroy thee and thy house. And the king saw that they pressed upon him violently: and being constrained by necessity, he delivered Daniel to they. And they cast him into the den of lions, and he was there six days. And in the den there were seven lions, and they had given to them two carcases every day, and two sheep: but then they were not given unto them, to the intent that they might devour Daniel. Now there was in Judea a promet called Habacuc, and he had boiled pottage, and had broken bread in a bowl; and was going into the field to carry it to the reapers. And the angel of the Lord said to Habacuc: Carry the daner which thou hast, into Babylon to Daniel, who is in the lions' den. And Habacuc said: Lord, I never saw Babylon, nor do I know the den. And the angel of the Lord took him by the top of his head, and carried him by the hair of his head, and set him in Babylon over the den in the force of his spirit. And Habacuc cried, saying: O Daniel, thou servant of God, take the dinner that God hath And Daniel said: Thou hast remembered me. O God, and thou hast not forsaken them that love thee. And Daniel arose and ate. And the angel of the Lord presently set Habacuc again in his own place. And upon the seventh day the king came to bewail Daniel: and he came to the den, and looked in, and behold Daniel was sitting in the midst of the lions. And the king cried out with a loud voice, saying: Great art thou, O Lord, the God of Daniel. And he drew him out of the lions' deu. But those that had been the cause of his destruction. he cast into the den, and they were devoured in a moment before him. Then the King said: Let al.

the inhabitants of the whole earth fear the God of Daniel; for he is the Saviour, working signs and wonders in the earth; who hath delivered Daniel out of the hons' den.

GRAD. Ps. xlii.—Judge my cause, O Lord, and deliver me from the wicked and deceitful man. V. Send forth thy light and thy truth; for they have led me on, and brought me up to thy holy mount. GOSPEL. John vii. 1. 13.—At that time: Jesus

walked in Galilee; for he would not walk in Judea: because the Jews sought to kill him. Now the Jews feast of tabernacles was at hand. And his brethren said to him: Depart from hence, and go into Judea: that thy disciples also may see thy works which thou dost. For there is no man that doth any thing in secret, and he himself seeketh to be known openly; If thou do these things manifest thyself to the world. For neither did his brethren believe in him. Then Jesus said to them: My time is not yet come; but your time is always ready. The world cannot hate vou: but me it hateth: because I give testimony of it, that the works thereof are evil. Go you up to this festival day, but I go not up to this festival day: because my time is not accomplished. When he had said these things, he himself staid in Galilee. But after his brethren were gone up, then he also went up to the feast, not openly, but as it were in secret. The Jews therefore sought him on the festival day, and said: Where is he? And there was much murmuring among the multitude concerning him. For some said: He is a good man. And others said: No, but he seduceth the people. Yet no man spoke spenly of him, for fear of the Jews.

OFFERT. Ps. ix.—Let all, who know thy name, O Lord, hope in thee; for thou forsakest not those who seek thee. Sing to the Lord, who dwelleth in Sion, for he hath not forgot the prayer of the poor.

SECRET. The sacrifices we beg to be offered to thee, O Lord, are such tokens of temporal comfort, that we cannot despair of thy eternal promises. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xxiv.—Deliver me, O God of Israel, from all my distress.

P. COMM. Da nobis.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that as we daily celebrate these divine mysteries, we may be made worthy of the rewards of heaven. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Da nobis.—Grant us, O Lord, we beseech thee, perseverance in thy service; that in our days thy faithful may increase both in number and goodness. Thro'.

WEDNESDAY.

INTROIT. Ps. xvii.—O my deliverer from the angry Gentiles, thou wilt place me out of the reach of those that assault me: thou, O Lord, wilt rescue me from the unrighteous man. Ps. I will love thee, O Lord, my strength: the Lord is my support, my refuge, and my deliverer.

COLLECT. Sanctificato.—Enlighten, O God of

COLLECT. Sanctificato.—Enlighten, O God of mercy, the hearts of thy people by means of this holy fast; and since all our devotion is the effect of thy bounty, mercifully hear the petitions we make. Thro.

LESSON. Lev. xix. 10. 19.—In those days: The Lord spake to Moses, saying: Speak to all the assembly of the children of Israel, and thou shalt say to them: I am the Lord your God. You shall not steal. You shall not lie: neither shall any man deceive his neighbour. Thou shalt not swear falsely by my name, nor profane the name of thy God. I am the Lord. Thou shalt not calumniate thy neighbour, nor oppress him by violence. The wages of him that has been hired by thee, shall not abide with

thee antil the morning. Thou shalt not speak evil of the deaf, nor put a stumbling block before the blind: but thou shalt fear the Lord thy God, because I am the Lord. Thou shalt not do that which is unjust, nor judge unjustly. Respect not the person of the poor, nor honour the countenance of the mighty. But judge thy neighbour according to justice. Thou shall not be a detracter nor a whisperer among the people. Thou shalt not stand against the blood of thy neighbour. I am the Lord. Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thy heart, but reprove him openly, lest thou incur sin through him. Seek not revenge, nor be mindful of the injury of thy citizens. Thou shalt love thy friend as thyself. I am the Lord. Keep ye my laws, for I am the Lord your God.

GRAD. Ps. xxix.—I will extol thee, O Lord, for thou hast upheld me: and hast not made my enemies to rejoice over me. V. O Lord my God, I have cried to thee, and thou hast healed me. Thou hast norought forth, O Lord, my soul from hell, and thou hast saved me from them that go down into the pit,

* TRACT. Ps. cii.-Deal not, p. 117.

GOSPEL. John x. 22. 38.—At that time: It was the feast of the dedication at Jerusalem: and it was winter. And Jesus walked in the temple in Solomon's porch, the Jews therefore came round about him, and said to him: How long dost thou hold our souls in suspense? if thou be the Christ tell us plainly. Jesus answered them: I speak to you, and you believe not: the works that I do in the name of my Father, they give testimony of me: but you do not believe, because you are not of my sheep. My sheep hear my voice: and I know them, and they follow me: and I give them eternal life; and they shall not perish for ever, and no man shall pluck them out of my hand. That which my Father hath given me, is greater than all: and no man

can snatch them out of the hand of ray hadier. I and the Father are one. The Jews the look up stones to stone him. Jesus answered : eta: Many good works I have shewed you from in, Tather; for which of those works do you stone me. The Jews answered him: For a good work we stone thee not, but for blasphemy: and because that thou being a man, makest thyself God. Jesus answered them: Is it not written in your law: I said, you are Gods? If he called them gods, to whom the word of God was spoken, and the scripture cannot be broken; do you say of him, whom the Father hath sanctified and sent into the world: Thou blasphemest: because I said, I am the Son of God? It I do not the works of my Father, believe me not. But if I do: though you will not believe me, believe the works, that you may know and believe that the Father is in me, and I in the Father.

OFFERT. Ps. lviii.—Deliver me, from my euemies, O my God; and defend me, O Lord, from them that rise up against me.

SECRET. Grant, O merciful God, that we may offer thee, with a sincere heart, this sacrifice of propitiation and praise. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xxv.—I will wash my hands with the innocent: and will compass thy altar, O'Lord, that I may hear the voice of thy praise: and publish all thy wonderful works.

P. COMM. Calestis.—Having received thy hea venly gift, we humbly beseech thee, O Almighty God, that it may produce in us the effect of the sa crament, and procure our salvation. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Adesto.—Hear our prayers and entreaties, O Almighty God, and grant that those to whom thou givest hopes of thy mercy, may experience the effects of thy usual clemency. Thro'.

THURSDAY.

INTROIT. Dan. iii.—All thou hast done for us, O Lord, thou hast done with great justice; because we have sinned against thee, and have not obeyed thy commandments: but do thou make thy name glorious, and deal with us according to the multitude of thy mercies. Ps. cxviii.—Blessed are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the Lord.

COLLECT. Præsta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that the dignity of human nature, which hath been wounded by excess, may be cured by the practice of healing temperance. Thro'.

LESSON. Dan. iii. 34, 45.—In those days: Azarias prayed to the Lord, saying: Deliver us not up for ever, we beseech thee, for thy name's sake, and abolish not thy covenant: and take not away thy mercy from us, for the sake of Abraham thy beloved, and Isaac thy servant, and Israel thy holy one: to whom thou hast spoken, promising that thou wouldst multiply their seed as the stars of heaven, and as the sand that is on the sea shore. For we, O Lord, are diminished more than any nation, and are brought low in all the earth this day for our sins. there at this time prince, or leader, or prophet, or holocaust, or sacrifice, or oblation, or incense, or place of first-fruits before thee. That we may find thy mercy: nevertheless in a contrite heart and humble spirit let us be accepted. As in holocausts of rams, and bullocks, and as in thousands of fat lambs: so let our sacrifice be made in thy sight this day, that it may please thee: for there is no confusion to them that trust in thee. And now we follow thee with all our heart, and we fear thee, and seek thy face. Put us not to confusion, but deal with us according to thy meekness, and according to the multitude of thy mercies. And deliver us according to thy wonderful works, and give glory to thy name, O Lord: and let all them be confounded that shew evils to thy servants, let them be confounded in all thy might, and let their strength be broken: and let them know that thou art the Lord, the only God, and glorious over all the world. O Lord our God.

GRAD. Ps. xcv.—Bring up sacrifices, and come into his courts; adore ye the Lord in his holy court. V. Ps. xxviii. The Lord will discover the thick woods; and in his Temple all shall speak his glory.

GOSPEL. Luke vii. 36. 50. -At that time: One of the Pharisees desired him to eat with him And he went into the house of the Pharisee, and sat down to meat. And behold a woman that was in the city, a sinner, when she knew that he sat at meat in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster box of ointment: and standing behind at his feet. she began to wash his feet with tears, and wiped them with the hairs of her head, and kissed his feet. and anointed them with the ointment. And the Pharisee, who had invited him, seeing it, spoke within himself saying: This man, if he were a prophet, would know surely who and what manner of woman this is that touched him, that she is a sinner. And Jesus answering, said to him, Simon, I have somewhat to say to thee. But he said: Master, say A certain creditor had two debtors, the one owed five hundred pence, and the other fifty. whereas they had not wherewith to pay, he forgave them both. Which therefore of the two loveth him most? Simon answering, said: I suppose that he to whom he forgave most. And he said to him: Thou hast judged rightly. And turning to the woman, he said unto Simon: Dost thou see this woman? I entered into thy house, thou gavest me no water for my feet; but she with tears hath washed my feet and with her hairs hath wiped them. Thou gavest me no kiss; but she, since she came in, bath not ceased to kiss my feet. My head with oil thou didst not anoint; but she with ointment hath anointed my feet. Wherefore I say to thee: Many sins are forgiven her, because she hath loved much. But to whom less is forgiven, he loveth less. And he said to her: Thy sins are forgiven thee. And they that sat at meat with him began to say within themselves: Who is this that forgiveth sins also? And he said to the woman: Thy faith hath made thee safe, go in peace.

OFFERT. Ps exxxvi.—Upon the rivers of Babylon there we sat, and wept, when we remembered

thee, O Sion.

SÉCRET. O Lord our God, who hast appointed the offerings to be consecrated to thee, to consist chiefly of those creatures, which thou createdst for the support of our weakness: grant, we beseech thee, that they may be to us both a help in this life, and a sacrament to procure us that which is eternal. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. cxviii.—Remember, O Lord, the promise thou madest to thy servant, by which thou gavest me hope: it is that which hath comforted me

in my distress.

P. COMM. Quod.—Grant, O Lord, that what we have received with our mouths we may also take with a pure mind: and that, of a temporary gift, it may become to us an eternal remedy. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Esto.—Be propitious, O Lord, we beseech thee, to thy people: that, forsaking what displeaseth thee, they may find comfort in keeping thy law. Thro'.

FRIDAY.

INTROIT. Ps. xxx.—Have mercy on me, () Lord, for I am in distress: deliver me and rescue me from the hands of my enemies, and my pursuers: Lord, let me never be put to shame, since I have called on thee. Ps. In thee, O Lord, have I hoped. let me never be confounded, deliver me in thy justice.

COLLECT. Cordibus. — Mercifully, O Lord, we beseech thee, pour forth thy grace into our hearts: that repressing our sins by voluntary mortifications, we may rather suffer for them in this life, than be condemned to eternal torments for them in the next. Thro'.

LESSON. Jer. xvii. 13. 18 .- In those days: Jeremias said: O Lord, the hope of Israel: all that forsake thee shall be confounded: they that depart from thee, shall be written in the earth: because they have forsaken the Lord, the vein of living waters. Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed: save me, and I shall be saved: for thou art my praise. Behold they say to me. Where is the word of the Lord? let it come. And I am not troubled, following thee for my pastor, and I have not desired the day of man, thou knowest it. That which went out of my lips, hath been right in thy sight. Be not thou a terror unto me, thou art my hope in the day of affliction. Let them be confounded that persecute me, and let not me be confounded: let them be afraid, and let me not be afraid: bring upon them the day of affliction, and with a double destruction, destroy them, O Lord our God.

GRAD. Ps. xxiv.—My enemies spoke peaceably to me; but in their anger they were troublesome to me. V. Thou hast seen it, O Lord, be not silent; abandon me not.

* TRACT. Ps. cii.—Deal not, p. 117.

GOSPEL. John xi. 47. 54.—At that time; The chief priests and Pharisees assembled in council against Jesus, and said: What do we, for this man doth many miracles? If we let him alone so, all men will believe in him: and the Romans will come, and take away our place and nation. But one of them named Caiphas, being the high-priest that year, said to them: You know nothing, neither

do you consider that it is expedient for you that one man should die for the people, and that the whole nation perish not. And this he spoke not of himself: but being the high-priest that year, he prophesied that Jesus should die for the nation; and not only for the nation, but to gather in one the children of God, that were dispersed. From that day therefore they devised to put him to death. Wherefore Jesus walked no more openly among the Jews, but he went unto a country near the desert, unto a city that is called Ephrem, and there he abode with his disciples.

OFFERT. Ps. cxviii.—Blessed art thou, O Lord, teach me thy law; and deliver me not up to the proud ones who calumniate me: and I will give an

answer to those who reproach me.

SECRET. Grant, O merciful God, that we may always worthily serve at thy altar, and obtain salvation by constantly partaking of what is offered thereon. Thro'.

COMM. Deliver me not up, O Lord, to the will of my pursuers: for unjust witnesses have risen up

against me, and iniquity hath belied itself.

P. COMM. Sumpti sacrifici.—May the sacrifice, O Lord, we have partaken of, always protect us, and repel from us all that is hurtful. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Concede.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we who seek the honour of thy protection, may be delivered from all evil, and serve thee with a secure mind. Thro'.

ON FRIDAY IN PASSION WEEK. The SEVEN DOLOURS of the B. V. MARY.

INTROIT. John xix.—There stood by the cross of Jesus, his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Cleophas, and Salome, and Mary Mag

dalen. V. Jesus said: Woman, behold thy son; and to his disciple: Behold thy mother. V. Glory. Gloria in excelsis is said in this Mass.

COLLECT. Deus, in cujus.—O God, in whose passion, according to Simeon's prophecy, the sword of grief, pierced the sweet soul of glorious Mary, the Virgin-mother; graht in thy mercy, that we, who with honour commemorate her sorrows and sufferings, may be helped by the glorious merits and prayers of all the saints that faithfully stood by thy cross, so as to partake of the happy fruits of thy passion. Who liveth.

Then is made a Commem. of Friday by its Collect, Cordibus, as p. 223. As likewise by its Secret ana

Postcommunion in their proper places.

LESSON. Judith xiii. 22. 25.—The Lord hath blessed thee by his power, because by thee he hath brought our enemies to nought. Blessed art thou, O daughter, by the Lord the most high God, above all women upon the earth. Blessed be the Lord who made heaven and earth. Because he hath so magnified thy name this day, that thy praise shall not depart out of the mouth of men, who shall be mindful of the power of the Lord for ever, for that thou hast not spared thy life, by reason of the distress and tribulation of thy people, but hast prevented our ruin in the presence of our God.

GRAD. Thou art overwhelmed with grief and in tears, O Virgin Mary, standing by the cross of our

Lord Jesus thy Son, thy Redeemer.

TRACT. Holy Mary, the Queen of heaven and Lady of the world, stood full of grief by the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. V. O all you that pass by the way, attend and see if there be any sorrow like unto mine.

The SEQUENCE, or PROSE.

STABAT Mater dolorosa, juxta, crucem lacrymosa dum pendebat Filius.

Cujus animam gementem, contristatam et dolentem pertransivit gladius.

O quam tristis et afflicta, fuit illa benedicta Mater

unigeniti!

Que mærebat, et dolebat, et tremebat, cum videbat nati pœnas inclyti.

Quis est homo qui non fleret, Christi matrem si

videret, in tanto supplicio!

Quis posset non contristari, piam Matrem contemplari dolentem cum Filio?

Pro peccatis suæ gentis, vidit Jesum in tormentis

et flagellis subditum?

Vidit suum dulcem natum, morientem desolatum, dum emisit spiritum.

Eia Mater, fons amoris! me sentire vim doloris,

fac ut tecum lugeam.

Fac ut ardeat cor meum in amando Christum Deum, ut sibi complaceam.

Sancta Mater istud agas, crucifixi fige plagas cor-

di meo valide.

Tui nati vulnerati, tam dignati pro me pati, poenas mecum divide.

Fac me vere tecum flere, crucifixo condolere do-

nec ego vixero.

Juxta crucem tecum stare, te libenter sociare in planctu desidero.

Virgo virginum præclara, mihi jam non sis amara,

fac me tecum pangere.

Fac ut portem Christi mortem, passionis fac consortem, et plagas recolere.

Fac me plagis vulnerari, cruce hac inebriari, ob

amorem filii.

Inflammatus et accensus, per te, virgo, sim defensus, in die judicii.

Fac me cruce custodiri, morte Christi præmuniri,

confoveri gratia.

Quando corpus morietur, fac ut animæ donetur Paradisi gloria. Amen.

GOSPEL. John xix. 25. 27.—At that time There stood by the cross of Jesus, his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalen. When Jesus therefore had seen his mother, and the disciple standing, whom he lowed, he saith to his mother: Woman, behold thy son; after that, he saith to the disciple: Behold thy mother. And from that hour the disciple took her to his own.

OFFERT. Remember, O Virgin-mother of God, whilst thou standest in the presence of the Lord, to speak in our favour, that thou mayest turn away his

wrath from us.

SECRET. We offer thee, O Lord Jesus Christ, our prayers and sacrifices, humbly intreating thee, that we, who, in our prayers of this day, commemorate the transfixion of the most sweet soul of blessed Mary thy mother, may receive our reward with her and her blessed companions that stood under thy cross, this holy assembly being multiplied, through the merits of thy death. Who livest.

PREFACE. In the transfixion. Ordinary, p. xxxii.

COMM. Happy are the senses of the blessed Virgin Mary, who, without dying, merited the crown

of martyrdom under the cross of the Lord.

P. COMM. Sacrificia. — Grant, O Lord Jesus Christ, that the sacrifice we have partaken of, while with devotion we celebrate the transfixion of thy blessed Virgin-mother, may, through thy mercy, obtain for us the effect of every salutary good. Who livest. At the end of Mass is read the Gospel of Friday, p. 223.

SATURDAY.

The Introit, Offertory, and Communion, as on Friday, p. 222, &c.

COLLECT. Proficiat.—May the people consecrated to thy service, we beseech thee, O Lord, improve in the affections of piety; that, instructed by these holy mysteries, they may be so much the more

enriched with thy heavenly gifts, as they become more acceptable to thy divine majesty. Thro'.

LESSON. Jer. xviii. 18. 23.-In those days: the wicked Jews said to one another: Come, and let us invent devices against Jeremias: for the law shall not perish from the priest, nor counsel from the wise, nor the word from the prophet; come, and let us strike him with the tongue, and let us give no heed to all his words. Give heed to me. O Lord. and hear the voice of my adversaries. Shall evil be rendered for good, because they have digged a pit for my soul? Remember that I have stood in thy sight. to speak good for them, and to turn away thy indig-nation from them. Therefore deliver up their children to famine, and bring them into the hands of the sword; let their wives be bereaved of children. and widows; and let the husbands be slain by death: let their young men be stabbed with the sword in battle. Let a cry be heard out of their houses: for thou shalt bring the robber upon them suddenly: because they have digged a pit to take me, and have hid snares for my feet. But thou, O Lord, knowest all their counsel against me unto death: forgive not their iniquity, and let not their sin be blotted out from thy sight: let them be overthrown before thy eves, in the time of thy wrath do thou destroy them. O Lord our God.

GRAD. Ps. xxxiv.—My enemies spoke peaceably to me; but in their anger they were troublesome to me. V. Thou hast seen it, O Lord, be not

silent; abandon me not-

GOSPEL. John xii. 10. 36.—At that time: The chief priests thought to kill Lazarus also; because many of the Jews by reason of him went away, and believed in Jesus. And on the next day a great multitude, that was come to the festival day, when they had heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem took branches of palm trees, and went forth to meet

him, and cried. Hosanna, blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord, the King of Israel And Jesus found a young ass, and sat upon it, as it is written: "Fear not, daughter of Sion: behold, thy King cometh sitting on an ass's colt." These things his disciples did not know at the first: but when Jesus was glorified, they then remembered that these things were written of him; and that they had done these things to him. The multitude therefore gave testimony, which was with him, when he called Lazarus out of the grave, and raised him from the dead. For which reason also the people came to meet him: because they heard he had done this miracle. The Pharisees therefore said among themselves: Do you see that we prevail nothing? behold, the whole world is gone after him. Now there were certain Gentiles among them that came up to adore on the festival day. These therefore came to Philip, who was of Bethsaida of Galilee, and desired him, saying: Sir, we would see Jesus. Philip cometh, and telleth Andrew. Again Andrew and Philip told Jesus. But Jesus answered them, saving: The hour is come that the Son of Man shall be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless the grain of wheat falling into the ground, die; itself remaineth alone. But if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit. He that loveth his life shall lose it: and he that hateth his life in this world, keepeth it unto life eternal. If any man minister to me, let him follow me: and where I am, there also shall my minister be. If any man minister to me, him will my Father honour. Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? Father, save me from this hour. But for this cause I came unto this hour. Father glorify thy name. A voice therefore came from heaven: "I have both glorified it, and will glorify it again." The multitude therefore that stood and heard, said that it thundered. Others said: An an-

gel spoke to him. Jesus answered, and said: This voice came not because of me, but for your sakes. Now is the judgment of the world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out. And I, if I be self. (Now this he said signifying what death he should die.) The multitude answered him: have heard out of the law, that Christ abideth forever; and how sayest thou: The Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man? Jesus therefore said to them: Yet a little while, the light is among you. Walk whilst you have the light, that the darkness overtake you not: and he that walketh in darkness knoweth not whether he goeth. Whilst you have the light, believe in the light, that you may be the children of light. These things Jesus spoke, and he went away and hid himself from them.

OFFERT. Ps. 118.—Blessed art thou, O Lord, teach me thy justifications: deliver me not to proud calumniators; and I shall answer those who reproach

me.

SECRET. Mercifully, O Lord, we beseech thee, deliver us from all sins and dangers, since thou allowest us to partake of these great mysteries. Thro'.

P. COMM. Divini.—Being filled with the divine gift, we beseech thee, O Lord our God, that we may ever live by thy participation thereof. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God. PRAYER. Tueatur.—May thy right hand, O Lord, we beseech thee, protect thy people making supplication to thee, and purifying them from their sins, make them wise, that they may make such use of the comforts of this present life, as to arrive at that which is eternal. Thro'.

PALM-SUNDAY

Is so called from the ceremony of blessing brancher of *Palms*, Olives, or some other tree, to be distri buted among the faithful to carry in procession; in re

membrance of what the Jewish people did, when Jesus Christ, six days before his passion, made his triumphant entry into Jerusalem riding on an ass's colt, as had been foretold by the prophet, and was received with the joy ful acclamations of the multitude, as well as those of his disciples.

Let us, therefore, assist at the ceremony of this day with recollection and piety: and whilst we bear the Palms in our hands, let us adore him, who conquered hell by his death, and endeavour to partake of his triumph, by overcoming sin, and every inclination contrary to the spirit of God.

After sprinkling the Holy Water, as usual on other

Sundays, the Office begins thus:

ANTHEM. Hosanna to the Son of David: blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. O King of Israel: Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord be with you. R. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

COLLECT. Deus quem.—O God, whom to love is true righteousness, multiply in our hearts the gifts of thy holy grace: and since, by the death of thy only Son, thou hast made us to hope for those things which we believe; grant that by his resurrection, we may arrive at the happy end of our journey. Who liveth.

LESSON. Exod. xv. 27. and xvi. 1. 7.—In those days: The children of Israel came into Elim, where there were twelve fountains of water, and seventy palm-trees: and they encamped by the waters.— Chap. xvi. And they set forward from Elim; and all the multitude of the children of Israel came into the desert of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, the fifteenth day of the second month after they came out of the land of Egypt. And all the congregation of the children of Israel murmured against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. And the children of Israel said to them: Would to God we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypi, when we sat

over the flesh pots, and ate bread to the full: Why have you brought us into this desert, that you might destroy all the multitude with famine? And the Lord said to Moses: Behold I will rain bread from heaven for you: let the people go forth, and gather what is sufficient for every day, that I may prove them whether they will walk in my law, or no. But the sixth day let them provi le for to bring in, and let it be double to that they were wont to gather every day. And Moses and Aaron said to the children of Israel: in the evening you shall know that the Lord hath brought you forth out of the land of Egypt: and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord.

Instead of the Gradual is sung either,

R. The chief priests therefore and the Pharisees gathered a council and said: What are we doing, for this man performeth many wonders? If we let him go on thus, all will believe in him * And the Romans will come and destroy both our country and us. V. But one of them, named Caiphas, being the high priest of that year, said to them: It is for your interest that one man should die for the people, and not the whole nation perish. Therefore from that day they devised to kill him, saying: * And the Romans, &c. to V.

[Or the following, Matt. xxvi.]

R. Jesus prayed unto his Father on mount Olivet: O Father, if it be possible let this cup pass from me. The spirit indeed is ready, but the flesh is weak. Thy will be done. V. Watch and pray, that you enter not into temptation. The spirit, &c. to V.

GOSPEL. Matt. xxi. 19.—At that time: Jesus drawing near to Jerusalem; and being come to Bethphage, at mount Olivet, he sent two of his disciples, and said to them: Go ye into the village that is over against you, and immediately you shall find an ass tied and a colt with her: loose them and bring them to me: and if any man shall say any thing to

you, say ve, that the Lord hath need of them; and forthwith he will let them go. Now all this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying: "Tell ye the daughter of Sion: Behold, thy king cometh to thee, meek, and sitting upon an ass and a colt the foal of her that is used to the voke." And the disciples going, did as Jesus commanded them. And they brought the ass and the colt: and laid their garments upon them, and made him sit thereon. And a very great multitude spread their garments in the way: and others cut down boughs from the trees, and strewed them in the way: and the multitudes that went before and " Hosanna to the that followed, cried, saving: Son of David: Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord."

THE BLESSING OF THE PALMS.

The Lord be with you. R. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray. Auge fidem.

Increase, O God, the faith of them that hope in thee, and mercifully hear the prayers of thy suppliants: let thy manifold mercy come upon us, and let these branches of palm trees, or olive trees, be blessed: and as in a figure of the Church thou didst multiply Noah going out of the ark, and Moses going out of Egypt with the children of Israel; so let us, carrying palms and branches of olive trees, go

him into eternal joys. Who, &c. R. Amen.

V. The Lord be with you. R. And with thy spirit.

V. Raise up your hearts on high. R. We have raised them up to the Lord. V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. R. It is meet and just.

and meet Christ with good works, and enter through

It is truly meet and just, right and available to salvation, always and in all places to give thee thanks, O holy Lord, Almighty Father, eternal God, who art glorious in the assembly of thy saints. For thy creatures serve thee, because they acknowledge thee

for their only Creator and God. And the whole creation praiseth thee, and thy saints bless thee: because they confess with freedom, before the kings and powers of this world, the great name of thy only begotten Son. Before whom the angels and archangels, the thrones and dominations stand, and with all the troops of the heavenly host, sing a hymn to thy glory, saying without ceasing:

Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord the God of armies. The heavens and the earth are full of thy glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord be with you. R. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray. Petimus.
We beseech thee, O holy Lord, Almighty Father,
Eternal God, that thou wouldst be pleased to bess and sanctify this creature of the olive tree, which thou madest to shoot out of the substance of the wood, and which the dove returning to the ark brought in its bill: that whoever receiveth it, may find protection of soul and body: and that it may prove, O Lord, a saving remedy, and a sacred sign of thy grace. Thro'. R. Amen.

Let us pray. Deus, qui dispersa.

O God, who gatherest what is dispersed, and preservest what is gathered; who didst bless the people, that carried boughs to meet Jesus; bless-lalso these branches of the palm-tree and olive-tree, which thy servants take with faith in honour of thy name: that into whatever place they may be carried, the inhabitants of that place may obtain thy blessing: and thy right hand preserve from all adversity, and protect those that have been redeemed by our Lord Jesus Christ thy Son. Who liveth. R. Amen.

Let us pray Deus qui miro.

O God who by thy wonderful order of thy providence would even in insensible things shew us the manner of our salvation; grant, we beseech thee,

that the devout hearts of thy faithful may understand to their benefit the mystical meaning of that ceremony, when the multitude, by direction from heaven, going this day to meet our Redeemer, strewed under his feet palms and olive-branches. The palms represent his triumph over the prince of death: and the olive-branches proclaim, in some manner, the coming of a spiritual unction. For that pious multitude then knew, what was by them signified, that our Redeemer compassionating the misery of mankind, was to fight for the life of the whole world with the prince of death; and to triumph over him by his own death. And therefore in that action they made use of such things, as might declare both the triumph of his victory, and the riches of his mercy. We also with a firm faith, retaining both the ceremony and its signification, humbly beseech thee, O holy Lord, Almighty Father, Eternal God. through the same Lord Jesus Christ; that we, whom thou hast made his members, gaining by him, and in him, a victory over the empire of death, may deserve to be partakers of his glorious resurrection. Who liveth. R. Amen.

Let us pray. Deus, qui per oliva.

O God, who by an olive-branch didst command the dove to proclaim peace to the world: sanctify, we beseech thee, by thy heavenly benediction, these branches of olives and other trees; that they may be serviceable to all thy people unto salvation. Thro'. R. Amen.

Let us pray. Benedic.

Bless, 4-O Lord, we beseech thee, these branches of the palm-tree, or olive-tree; and grant that what thy people this day act corporally for thy honour, they may perform the same spiritually with the greatest devotion, by gaining a victory over their enemy, and ardently loving mercy. Thro'. R. Amen.

Here the Priest sprinkles the Palms with Holy Water, saying Sprinkle, &c. as in p. xiii. and having fumed them thrice with incense, he says:

The Lord be with you. R. And with thy spirit. Let us pray. Deus, qui Füium.

O God, who, for our salvation, didst send into this world thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord that he might humble himself to our condition, and call us back to thee. For whom also, as he was coming to Jerusalem to fulfil the scriptures, a multitude of faithful people with a zealous devotion spread their garments together with palm branches in the way: grant, we beseech thee, that we may prepare him the way of faith, out of which the stone of offence and the rock of scandal being removed, our actions may flourish with branches of righteousness, so that we may be worthy to follow his steps. Who liveth. R. Amen.

The Palms, being blessed, are distributed to the people kneeling and kissing them as well as the Priest's hand. During the distribution the following Anthems are repeated till the whole are distributed:

Anthem. The Hebrew children carrying olivebranches met the Lord, crying out, and saying. Hosanna in the highest.

ANTHEM. The Hebrew children spread their garments in the way, and cried out, saying: Hosanna to the Son of David: blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

The Lord be with you. R. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray. Omnipotens.

O Almighty and Eternal God, who wouldst have our Lord Jesus Christ ride on the colt of an ass, and didst inspire the crowds of people to spread their garments, and branches of trees in the way, and to sing Hosanna to his praise: grant, we beseech thee, that we may imitate their innocence, and deserve to partake of their merits. Thro'. R. Amen.

Here the PROCESSION begins in the usual form, during which, some of the following Anthems are sung. The Priest or Deacon giving notice thereof by saying:

Let us set out in peace. R. In the name of Christ. Amen.

Anthems during the Procession.

ANTHEM. Matt. xxi. When the Lord drew nigh to Jerusalem, he sent two of his disciples, saying: Go ve into the village that is over against you; and you will find the colt of an ass tied, upon which no man hath sat; loose it, and bring it to me. If any one ask you any questions, say: The Lord wanteth it. They untied and brought it to Jesus, and laid their garments upon it; and he seated himself on it. Others spread their garments in the way: others curbranches from the trees; and those who followed, cried out Hosanna, blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord; and blessed be the reign of our father David: Hosanna in the highest. O Son of David have mercy on us.

ANTHEM. When the people heard, that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, they took palm-branches, and went out to meet him: and the children cried out, saying: This is he, who is come for the salvation of the people. He is our salvation, and the redemption of Israel. How great is he, whom the thrones and dominations go out to meet! Fear not, O daughter of Sion: behold thy king cometh to thee sitting on an ass's colt, as it is written. Hail, O King, the Creator of the world, who art come to redeem us.

ANTHEM. Six days before the solemnity of the Passover, when the Lord was coming into the city of Jerusalem, the children met him, and carried palmbranches in their hands; and they cried out with a loud voice, saying: Hosanna in the highest: blessed

art thou who art come in the roultitude of thy mercy: Hosanna in the highest.

ANTHEM. The multitude goeth out to meet their Redeemer with flowers and palms, and payeth the homage due to a triumphant conqueror: the Gentiles proclaim the Son of God: and their voices rend the skies in the praise of Christ: Hosanna in the highest.

ANTHEM. Let us faithfully join with the angels and children, singing to the Conqueror of death: Hosanna in the highest.

ANTHEM. A great multitude that was met together at the festival cried out to the Lord: Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.

At the return of the Procession, two or four chanters go into the church, and shutting the door, with their faces towards the Procession, sing the two first verses of the following Hymn,* To thee, O Christ, &c. which are repeated by the Priest and the others without the church. Then they who are within, sing the following verses; to which those that are without, after every two verses, answer.

To thee, O Christ, be glory, praises loud:
To thee, Hosanna, cried the Jewish crowd.
R. To thee.

We Israel's monarch, David's Son proclaim:
Thou com'st, blest King, in God's most holy name.
R. To thee.

Angels and men, in one harmonious choir, To sing thy everlasting praise conspire.

R. To thee.

Thee Israel's children met with conqu'ring palms, To thee our vows we pay in loudest psalms.

R. To thee.

For thee on earth with boughs they strew'd the ways
To thee in heaven we sing melodious praise.

R. To thee.

Accept this tribute, which to thee we bring, As thou didst theirs, O good and gracious King. R. To thee.

Here the Subdeacon knocks at the door with the foot of the cross: which being opened, the Procession enters the Church singing. This ceremony represents our pilgrimage in this mortal life, in which we unite in the praises of God with the blessed in heaven: and live in hopes that the gates thereof will be opened to us thro' the merits of the cross of Christ.

R. As our Lord entered the holy city, the Hebrew children declaring the resurrection of life, *With palm-branches cried out: Hosanna in the highest. V. When the people heard, that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, they went out to meet him, and *With palm-branches, &c. as above, to V.

At Mass all hold the Palms in their hands during the reading or singing of the Passion.

INTROIT. Ps. xxi.

LORD, keep not thy help far from me; look to my defence; save me from the lion's mouth, and rescue me in my distress, from the horns of unicorns.

Ps. O God, my God, look upon me: why hast thou forsaken me? They are my sins that keep salvation far from me. Lord keep not, &c. Domine, ne longe facias auxilium tuum a me, ad defensionem meam aspice: libera me de ore leonis, et a cornibus umcornium humilitatem meam.

Ps. Deus, Deus meus, respice in me: quare me dereliquisti? Longe a salute men verba delictorum meorum. Domine, ne longe, &c.

COLLECT. Omnipotens.—O almighty and eternal God, who wouldst have our Saviour become man, and suffer on a cross, to give mankind an example of humility: mercifully grant, that we may improve by the example of his patience, and partake

of his resurrection. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Philip ii. 5. 11.—Brethren: Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus; who being in the form of God, thought it not robbery, to be equal with God: but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being made in the likeness of men, and in habit found as a man. He humbled himself, becoming obedient unto death: even to the death of the cross. For which cause God also hath exalted him, and hath given him a name which is above all names: that in the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, of those that are in heaven, on earth, and under the earth. And that every tongue should confess that the Lord Jesus Christ is in the glory of the Father.

GRAD. Ps. lxxii.—Thou hast held me by my right hand, and by thy will thou hast conducted me; and with glory thou hast received me. V. How good is God to Israel, to them that are of a right heart! But my feet were almost moved, my steps had well nigh slipt, because I had a zeal on sinners seeing the

prosperity of sinners.

TRACT. Ps. xxi.—Deus, Deus meus, respuce in me: quare me dereliquisti? O God, my God, look upon me: why hast thou forsaken me? V. far from my salvation are the words of my sins. V. O my God I shall cry by day, and thou wilt not hear: and by night, and it shall not be imputed as folly in me. V. But thou dwellest in the holy place, the praise of Israel. V. In thee have our fathers hoped and thou hast delivered them. V. They cried out to thee, and they were saved: they trusted in thee, and were not confounded. V. But I am a worm, and no man: the reproach of men, and the outcast of the people. V. All they that saw me have laughed me to scorn: they have spoken with the lips, and wag ged the head. V. He hoped in the Lord, said they

let him deliver him; let him save him seeing he delighted in him. V. They considered n e, and viewed me attentively: they divided my garments amongst them, and cast lots for my vest. V. Deliver me from the lion's mouth: and my lowness from the horns of the unicorns. V. Ye that fear the Lord, praise him: O all ye of the seed of Jacob magnify him. V. A people that is to come, shall be declared the Lord's: and the heavens shall publish his justice. V. To a people, to be born, whom the Lord hath made.

The PASSION of our LORD JESUS CHRIST, according to Matt. xxvi. and xxvii.

AT that time; Jesus said to his disciples: You • I know that after two days shall be the pasch. and the Son of Man shall be delivered up to be cru-Then were gathered together the chief priests and ancients of the people into the court of the high priest, who was called Caiphas: and they consulted together, that by subtilty they might apprehend Jesus, and put him to death. But they said: Not on the festival day, lest perhaps there should be a tumult amongst the people. And when Jesus was in Bethania, in the house of Simon the leper, there came to him a woman having an alabaster-box of precious ointment, and poured it on his head as he was at table. And the disciples seeing it, had indignation, saying: To what purpose is this waste? For this might have been sold for much, and given to the poor. And Jesus knowing it, said to them: why do you trouble this woman? for she has wrought a good work upon me. For the poor you have always with you, but me you have not always. For she, in pouring this ointment upon my body, hath done it for my burial. Amen, I say to you, wheresoever this gospel shall be preached in the whole world, that also which she hath done, shall be told for a memory of her. Then went one of the twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, to the chief priests, and said to them: What will you give me, and I will deliver him unto you? But they appointed him thirty pieces of silver. And from thenceforth he sought an opportunity to betray him. And on the first day of the Azymes the disciples came to Jesus, saying: Where wilt thou that we prepare for thee to eat the pasch? But Jesus said: Go ye into the city to a certain man, and say to him: The Master saith my time is near at hand, I will keep the pasch at thy house with my disciples. And the disciples did as Jesus appointed to them, and they prepared the pasch. Now when it was evening, he sat down with his twelve disciples. And whilst they were eating, he said: Amen, I say to you, that one of you is about to betray me. And they being very much troubled, began every one to say: Is it I, Lord? But he answering said: He that dippeth his hand with me in the dish, he shall betray me. The Son of man indeed goeth, as it is written of him; but wo to that man, by whom the Son of Man shall be betraved. It were better for him, if that man had not been born. And Judas, that betrayed him, answering said: Is it 1, Rabbi? He saith to him: Thou hast said it. And whilst they were at supper, Jesus took bread, and blessed, and broke; and gave to his disciples, and said: Take ye, and eat: this is my body. And taking the chalice he gave thanks: and gave to them, saying: Drink ye all of this. For this is my blood of the New Testament which shall be shed for many for the remission of sins. And I say to you, I will not drink from henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I shall drink it new with you in the kingdom of my Father. And a hymn being said, they went out into mount Olivet. Then Jesus said to them: All you shall be scandalized in me this night. For it is written: "I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock shall

be dispersed." But after I shall be risen again, I will go before you into Galilee. And Peter answering, said to him: Although all shall be scandalized in thee, I will never be scandalized. Jesus said to him: Amen, I say to thee, that in this night, before the cock crow, thou wilt deny me thrice. Peter saith to him: Yea, though I should die with thee, I will not deny thee. And in like manner said all the disciples. Then Jesus came with them into a country place which is called Gethsemani; and he said to his disciples: Sit you here, till I go yonder, and pray. And taking with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, he began to grow sorrowful and to be sad. Then he saith to them: My soul is sorrowful even unto death: stay you here and watch with me. going a little further he fell upon his face, praying and saying: My Father, if it be possible, let this chalice pass from me. Nevertheless, not as I will, but as thou wilt. And he cometh to his disciples, and findeth them asleep, and he saith to Peter: What? Could you not watch one hour with me. Watch ye, and pray that ye enter not into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak. Again the second time he went, and prayed, saying: My Father, if this chalice may not pass away but I must drink it, thy will be done. And he cometh again, and findeth them sleeping; for their eyes were heavy. And leaving them, he went again; and he prayed the third time, saying the selfsame words. Then he cometh to his disciples, and saith to them: Sleep ye now, and take your rest: behold the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man shall be betrayed into the hands of sinners. Rise, let us go: behold he is at hand that will betray me. As he yet spoke, behold Judas, one of the twelve, came, and with him a great multitude with swords and clubs, sent from the chief priests and the ancients of the people. And he that had betrayed him, gave them a sign, saying: Whomsoever I shall kiss, that is he, hold him fast. And forthwith coming to Jesus, he said: Hail, Rabbi. And he kissed him. And Jesus said to him: Friend, whereto art thou come? Then they came up and laid hands on Jesus, and held him. And behold one of them that were with Jesus, stretching forth his hand, drew out his sword; and striking the servant of the high priest, cut off his ear. Then Jesus said to him: Put up again thy sword into its place; for all that take the sword, shall perish with the sword. Thinkest thou that I cannot ask my Father, and he will give me presently more than twelve legions of angels? How then shall the scriptures be fulfilled, that so it must be done? In that same hour Jesus said to the multitude? You are come out as it were to a robber, with swords and clubs, to apprehend me. I sat daily with you teaching in the temple, and you laid not hands on me. Now all this was done, that the scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled. Then the disciples all leaving him, fled. But they holding Jesus, led him to Caiphas the high priest, where the scribes and the ancients were assembled. And Peter followed him afar off, even to the court of the high-priest. And going in, he sat with the servance, that he might see the end. And the chief prices and the whole council sought false witness against Jesus, that they might put him to death: and they found not, whereas many false witnesses had come in. And last of all there came two false witnesses; and they said: This man said, I am able to destroy the temple of God, and after three days to rebuild it. And the high-priest rising up, said to him: Answerest thou nothing to the things which these witness against thee? But Jesus held his peace. And the high-prie said to him adjure thee by the living God, that inou tell us if

thou be the Christ the Son of God. Jesus saith to him: Thou hast said it. Nevertheless I say to you, hereafter you shall see the Son of Man sitting on the right hand of the power of God, and coming in the clouds of heaven. Then the high-priest rent his garments, saying: He hath blasphemed, what further need have we of witnesses? Behold now you have heard the blasphemy: what think you? But they answering, said: He is guilty of death. Then did they spit in his face, and buffet him. and others struck his face with the palms of their hands, saving: Prophesy unto us, O Christ: who is he that struck thee? But Peter sat without in the court: and there came to him a servant-maid, saving: Thou also wast with Jesus the Galilean. he denied before them all, saving: I know not what thou savest. And as he went out of the gate, another maid saw him, and she saith to them that were there: This man also was with Jesus of Nazareth And again he denied with an oath: That I know not the man. And after a little while they came that stood by, and said to Peter: Surely thou also art one of them; for even thy speech doth discover Then he began to curse and swear that he knew not the man. And immediately the cock crew. And Peter remembered the words of Jesus which he had said: Before the cock crew, thou wilt deny me thrice. And going forth, he wept bitterly. And when morning was come, all the chief priests and ancients of the people took counsel against Jesus, that they might put him to death. And they brought him bound, and delivered him to Pontius Pilate the governor. Then Judas, who betrayed him, seeing that he was condemned, repenting himself, brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and ancients, saying: I have sinned, in betraying innocent blood. But they guid: What is that to us? look thou to it. And

casting down the pieces of silver in the temple, he departed, and went and hanged himself with an halter. But the chief priests having taken the pieces of silver, said: It is not lawful to put them into the carbona, because it is the price of blood. And after they had consulted together, they bought with them the potter's field, to be a burying place for strangers. For this cause that field was called Haceldama, that is, the field of blood, even to this day. Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremias the prophet, saying: "And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of him that was prize. ed, whom they prized of the children of Israel. And they gave them unto the potter's field, as the Lord appointed to me." And Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked him, saying: Art thou the king of the Jews? Jesus saith to him: Thou sayest it. And when he was accused by the chief priests and ancients, he answered nothing. Then Pilate saith to him: Dost thou not hear how great testimonies they allege against thee? And he answered him to never a word; so that the governor wondered exceedingly. Now upon the solemn day the governor was accustomed to release to the people one prisoner, whom they would. And he had then a notorious prisoner, that was called Barabbas. They therefore being gathered together, Pilate said: Whom will you that I release to you, Barabbas, or Jesus that is called Christ? For he knew that for envy they had delivered him. And as he was sitting in the place of judgment, his wife sent to him, saying: Have thou nothing to do with that just man For I have suffered many things this day in a dream because of him. But the chief priests and ancients persuaded the people, that they should ask Barab. bas, and make Jesus away. And the governor answering, said to them: Whither will you of the two to be released unto you? But they said, Barab

has. Pilate saith to them: What shall I do then with Jesus that is called Christ? They say all: Let him be crucified. The governor said to them Why, what evil hath he done? But they cried out the more, saying: Let him be crucified. And Pi late seeing that he prevailed nothing; but that rather a tumult was made; taking water he washed his hands before the people, saving: I am innocent of the blood of this just man: look you to it. And the whole people answering, said: His blood be upon us, and upon our children. Then he released to them Barabbas: and having scourged Jesus, delivered him unto them to be crucified. Then the soldiers of the governor taking Jesus into the hall, gathered together unto him the whole band: and stripping him, they put a scarlet cloak about him And platting a crown of thorns, they put it upon his head, and a reed in his right hand. And bowing the knee before him, they mocked him, saying: Hail, king of the Jews. And spitting upon him, they took the reed, and struck his head. And after they had mocked him, they took off the cloak from him, and put on his own garments, and led him away to crucify him. And going out they met a man of Cyrene, named Simon: him they forced to take up the cross. And they came to the place that is called Golgotha, which is the place of Calvary. And they gave him wine to drink mingled with gall. And when he had tasted, he would not drink. And after they had crucified him, they divided his garments, casting lots: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying: "They divided my garments among them; and upon my vesture they cast lots": and they sat and watched him. And they put over his head his cause written: This is Jesus the King of the Jews. Then were crucified with him two thieves: one on the right hand, and one on the left. And they that

passed by, blasphemed him, waggir g their heads, and saying: Vah, thou that destroyest the temple of God, and in three days dost rebuild it, save thy ownself: if thou be the Son of God, come down from the cross. In like manner also the chief priests, with the scribes and ancients, mocking, said: He saved others: himself he cannot save: if he be the king of Israel, let him now come down from the cross, and we will believe him. He trusted in God: let him now deliver him, if he will have him: for he said: I am the Son of God. And the self same thing the thieves also that were crucified with him, reproached him with. Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over the whole earth, until the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying: Eli, Eli, lamma sabacthani? that is, "my God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" And some that stood there and heard, said: This man calleth Elias. And immediately one of them running, took a sponge, and filled it with vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink. And the others said: let us see whether Elias will come and deliver him. And Jesus again crying with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost. * And behold he veil of the temple was rent in two from the top even to the bottom, and the earth quaked, and the rocks were rent. And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints that had slept arose. And coming out of the tombs after his resurrection, came into the holy city and appeared to many. Now the Centurion, and they that were with him watching Jesus, having seen the earthquake and the things that were done, were sore afraid, saying: this was the Son of God. And there were there many women afar off who had followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering unto him: among whom was Mary Magdalen, and Mary the mother of James

* Here all kneel, and pause.

and Joseph, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee. And when it was evening, there came a certain rich man of Arimathea, named Joseph, who also himself was a disciple of Jesus. He went to Pilate, and asked the body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded that the body should be delivered. And Joseph taking the body, wrapped it up in a clean linen cloth, and laid it in his own new monument, which he had hewed out in a rock. And he rolled a great stone to the door of the monument, and went his way. And there was there Mary Magdalen, and the other Mary sitting over against the sepulchre.

Here the Priest says, Cleanse my heart, &c. p. xx. AND the next day, which followed the day of preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees came together to Pilate, saying: Sir, we have remembered, that that seducer said, while he was yet alive: After three days I will rise again. Compand therefore the sepulchre to be guarded until the third day: lest perhaps his disciples come and steal him away, and say to the people he is risen from the dead: and the last error shall be worse than the first. Pilate said to them: You have a guard; go, guard it as you know. And they departing, made the sepulchre sure, sealing the stone, and setting guards.

OFFERT. Ps. lxviii.—My heart hath expected reproach and misery: and I looked for one that would grieve together with me; but there was none: and for one that would comfort me, and I found none: they gave me gall for my food, and in my thirst they

gave me vinegar to drink.

SECRET. Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that what hath been offered in the presence of thy divine Majesty may procure us the grace of devotion, and effectually obtain a blessed eternity. Thro'

COMM. Matt. xxvi.—Father, if this cup cannot pass away, but I must drink it, thy will be done

P. COMM. Per hujus.—May our vices, O Lord, be destroyed, and our righteous desires fulfilled by the efficacy of these mysteries. Thro.

In private Masses, the Gospel Matt. xxi. (as above in the blessing of the Palms, p. 232,) is here read instead of the ordinary Gospel, John i. p. xlv.

MONDAY IN-HOLY WEEK.

INTROIT. Ps. xxxiv.—Judge thou, O Lord, them that wrong me; overthrow them that fight against me: Take hold of arms and shield, and rise up to help me, O Lord, my mighty Saviour. Ps. Bring out the sword, and shut up the way against them that persecute me; say to my soul, I am thy salvation. Judge thou, O Lord, &c. to Ps.

COLLECT. Da, quasumus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we, who through our weakness, faint under so many adversities, may recover by the passion of thy only begotten Son. Who,

with thee and the Holy Ghost, liveth, &c.

LESSON. Is. 1. 5. 10.—In those days: Isaias said: The Lord God hath opened my ear, and I do not resist: I have not gone back. I have given my body to the strikers, and my cheeks to them that plucked them: I have not turned away my face from them that rebuked me, and spit upon me. The Lord God is my helper, therefore am I not confounded. He is near that justifieth me, who will contend with me? let us stand together. Who is my adversary? let him come near to me. Behold the Lord God is my helper: who is he that shall condemn me? Lo, they shall all be destroyed as a garment, the moth shall eat them up. Who is there among you that feareth the Lord, that heareth the voice of his servant, that hath walked in darkness, and hath no light? let him hope in the name of the Lord, and lean upon his God.

GRAD. Ps. xxxiv.-Arise, O Lord, be attentive

to my trial; my God and my Lord, undertake my cause. V. Draw thy sword, and stop those that are in pursuit of me.

* TRACT. Ps. cii.—Deal not, p. 117. GOSPEI.. John xii. 1. 9.—Now Jesus, six days before the pasch, came to Bethania, where Lazarus had been dead, whom Jesus raised to life. And they made him a supper there; and Martha served, but Luzarus was one of them that were at table with him. Mary therefore took a pound of ointment of right spikenard, of great price, and anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped his feet with her hair: and the house was filled with the odour of the ointment. Then one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot, he that was about to betray him, said: Why was not this ointment sold for three hundred pence, and given to the poor? Now he said this, not because he cared for the poor, but because he was a thief, and having the purse carried the things that were put therein.

Jesus therefore said: Let her alone, that she may keep it against the day of my burial, for the poor you have always with you; but me you have not always. A great multitude therefore of the Jews knew that he was there; and they came not for Jesus's sake only, but that they might see Lazarus,

whom he had raised from the dead.

OFFER'I. Ps. cxliii.-Deliver me from my enemies, O Lord: to thee have I fled, teach me to do

thy will; because thou art my God.

SECRET. Grant, O Almighty God, that being purified by the powerful virtue of this sacrifice, we may arrive with greater purity to the author and institutor thereof. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xxxiv. - Let them blush and be ashamed, who rejoice at my misfortunes; let them be covered with shame and confusion, who speak maliciously against me.

P. COMM. Præbeant.—Let thy holy mysteries,

O Lord, inspire us with divine fervour: that we may delight both in their effect and celebration. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Adjuva.—Help us, O God, our salvation; and grant that we may celebrate with joy the memory of these benefits, by which thou hast been pleased to redeem us. Thro'.

TUESDAY.

INTROIT. Gal. vi.—We ought to glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ: in whom is our salvation, life, and resurrection; by whom we have been saved and delivered. Ps. lxvi. May God have mercy on us, and bless us; may his countenance shine upon us, and may he have mercy on us. We ought, &c. to Ps.

COLLECT. Omnipotens.—O Almighty and everlasting God, grant that we may so celebrate the mysteries of our Lord's passion, as to obtain thy

pardon. Through the same.

LESSON. Jer. xi. 18. 20.—In those days: Jeremias said: Thou, O Lord, hath shewed me, and I have known: then thou shewdst me their doings. And I was as a meek lamb, that is carried to be a victim: and I knew not that they had devised counsels against me, saying: Let us put wood on his bread, and cut him off from the land of the living, and let his name be remembered no more. But thou, O Lord of Sabaoth, who judgest justly, and triest the reins and the heart, let me see thy revenge on them: for to thee I have revealed my cause.

GRAD. Ps. xxxiv.—When they were troublesome to me, I clothed myself with hair-cloth, and I humbled my soul with fasting; and I will yet continue to pour forth my prayer in my bosom. V. Judge thou, O Lord, them that wrong me: overthrow them that fight against me: take hold of arms and shield;

and rise to help me.

The PASSION of our LORD JESUS CHRIST, according to Mark xiv. and xv.

That time: The feast of the pasch and of the A azymes was after two days: and the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might by some wile lay hold on him and kill him. But they said: Not on the festival day, lest there should be a tumult among the people. And when he was in Bethania, in the house of Simon the leper, and was at meat, there came a woman having an alabaster box of ointment of precious spikenard; and breaking the alabaster box, she poured it out upon his head. Now there were some that had indignation within themselves, and said: Why was this waste of the ointment made? For this ointment might have been sold for more than three hundred pence, and given to the poor. And they murmured against her. But Jesus said: Let her alone, why do you molest her? She hath wrought a good work upon me. For the poor you have always with you, and whensoever you will, you may do them good; but me you have not always. What she had, she nath done: she is come before-hand to anoint my body for the burial. Amen I say to you, wheresoever this gospel shall be preached in the whole world, that also which she hath done shall be told for a memorial of her. And Judas Iscariot, one of the twelve, went to the chief priests, to betray him to them. Who hearing it were glad; and promised to give him money. And he sought how he might conveniently betray Now on the first day of the unleavened bread. when they sacrificed the pasch, the disciples say to him: Whither wilt thou that we go and prepare for thee to eat the pasch? And he sendeth two of his disciples, and saith to them: go ye into the city, and there shall meet you, a man carrying a pitcher of water, follow him: and whithersoever he shall

go in, say to the master of the house: The Master saith: Where is my refectory, that I may eat the pasch with my disciples? And he will shew you a large dining room furnished; and there prepare ye for us. And his disciples went their way, and came into the city; and they found as he had told them, and they prepared the pasch. And when evening was come, he cometh with the twelve. And when they were at table eating, Jesus saith: Amen I say to you, one of you that eateth with me shall betray me. But they began to be sorrowful, and to say to him one by one: Is it I? Who saith to them: one of the twelve, who dippeth his hand in the dish with me. And the Son of Man indeed goeth, as it is written of him; but we to that man by whom the Son of Man shall be betrayed. It were better for him, if that man had not been born. And whilst they were eating, Jesus took bread; and blessing, broke, and gave to them, and said: Take ye, this is my body. And having taken the chalice, giving thanks, he gave it to them: and they all drank of it. And he said to them: This is my blood of the New Testament. which shall be shed for many. Amen I say to you, that I will drink no more of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I shall drink it new in the kingdom of God. And when they had sung an hymn, they went forth to the mount of Olives. And Jesus saith to them: You will all be scandalized in my regard this night; for it is written: "I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep shall be dispersed." But after V shall be risen again, I will go before you into Galilee. But Peter saith to him: Although all shall be scandalized in thee, yet not I And Jesus saith to him: Amen I say to thee, to-day, even in this night, before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice. But he spoke the more vehemently: Although I should die together with thee,

I will not deny thee. And in like manner also said they all. And they came to a farm called Gethse-mani. And he saith to his disciples: Sit you here, while I pray. And he taketh Peter, and James. and John with him; and he began to fear, and to be heavy. And he saith to them: My soul is sorrowful even unto death; stay you here, and watch. And when he had gone forward a little, he fell flat on the ground; and he prayed that, if it might be, the hour might pass from him: and he saith: Abba. Father, all things are possible to thee, remove this chalice from me, but not what I will, but what thou wilt. And he cometh, and findeth them sleeping. And he saith to Peter: Simon, sleepest thou? couldst thou not watch one hour? Watch ye, and pray, that ye enter not into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak. And going away again, he prayed, saying the same words. And when he returned he found them again asleep, (for their eyes were heavy) and they knew not what to answer him. And he cometh the third time, and saith to them: Sleep ye now, and take your rest. It is enough: the hour is come; behold the Son of Man shall be betrayed into the hands of sinners. Rise up, let us go. Behold he that will betray me, is at hand. And while he was yet speaking, cometh Judas Iscariot, one of the twelve, and with him a great multitude with swords and staves. from the chief priests, and the scribes, and the an And he that betrayed him had given them a sign saying: Whomsoever I shall kiss, that is he. lay hold on him, and lead him away carefully. And when he was come, immediately going up to him, he saith: Hail. Rabbi: and he kissed him. But they laid hands on him, and held him. And one of them that stood by, drawing a sword, struck a servant of the chief priest, and cut off his ear. And Jesus answering, said to them: Are you come out as to a robber with swords and staves to apprehend me? I was daily with you in the temple teaching, and you did not lay hands on me. But, that the scripture may be fulfilled. Then disciples leaving him, all fled away. And a certain young man followed him, having a linen cloth cast about his naked body: and they laid hold on him. But he casting off the linen cloth, fled from them naked. And they brought Jesus to the high priest; and all the priests and the scribes and the ancients were assembled together. And Peter followed him afar off even into the palace of the high priest; and he sat with the servants at the fire and warmed himself. And the chief priests and all the council sought for evidence against Jesus that they might put him to death, and they found none. For many bore false witness against him, and their evidence were not agreeing. And some rising up, bore false witness against him, saying: We heard him say: I will destroy this temple made with hands, and within three days I will build another not made with hands. And their witness did not agree. And the high-priest rising up in the midst, asked Jesus, saying: Answerest thou nothing to the things that are laid to thy charge by these men? But he held his peace and answered nothing. Again the high-priest asked him, and said to him: Art thou Christ the Son of the blessed God? And Jesus said to him: I am. And you shall see the Son of Man sitting on the right hand of the power of God, and coming in the clouds of heaven. Then the high-priest rending his garments, saith: What need we any further witnesses? You have heard the blasphemy. What think you? Who all condemned him to be guilty of death. And some began to spit on him, and to cover his face, and to butlet him, and to say to him: Prophesy: and the servants struck him with the palms of their hands. Now when Peter was in the court below, there cometh to him one of the maidservants of the high-priest; and when she had seen Peter warming himself, looking on him, she saith: Thou also wast with Jesus of Nazareth. But he denied, saving: I neither know nor understand what thou sayest. And he went forth before the court. and the cock crew. And again a maid-servant seeing him, began to say to the standers by: This is one of them. But he denied again. And after a while, they that stood by said again to Peter: Surely thou art one of them, for thou also art a Galilean. But he began to curse and swear, saying: I know not this man of whom you speak. And immediately the cock crew again. And Peter remembered the word that Jesus had said to him: cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice. And he began to weep. (Chap. xv.) And straightway in the morning, the chief priests holding a consultation with the ancients and the scribes, and the whole council, binding Jesus, led him away, and delivered him to Pilate. And Pilate asked him: Art thou the king of the Jews? but he answering, saith to him: Thou savest it. And the chief priests accused him in many things. And Pilate again asked him, saying: Answerest thou nothing? behold in how many things they accuse thee. But Jesus still answered nothing; so that Pilate wondered. Now on the festival day he was wont to release unto them one of the prisoners, whomsoever they demanded. And there was one called Barabbas, who was put in prison with some seditious men, who in the sedition had committed murder. And when the multitude was come up, they began to desire that he would do as he had ever done unto them. And Pilate answered them, and said: Will you that I release to you the king of the Jews? For he knew that the chief priests had delivered him up out of envy. But the chief priests moved the people that he

should rather release Barabbas to them. And Pilate again answering, saith to them: What will you then that I do with the king of the Jews? But they again cried out: Crucify him. And Pilate saith to them: Why, what evil hath he done? But they cried out the more: Crucify him. And Pilate being willing to satisfy the people, released to them Ba-rabbas, and delivered up Jesus, when he had scourged him, to be crucified. And the soldiers led him away into the court of the palace, and they called together the whole band; and they clothed him with purple, and platting a crown of thorns, they put it upon him. And they began to salute him: Hail, king of the Jews. And they struck his head with a reed: and they did spit on him. And bowing their knees, they adored him. And after they had mocked him, they took off the purple from him: and put his own garments on him, and they led him out to crucify him. And they forced one Si-inon, a Cyrenian, who passed by, coming out of the country, the father of Alexander and of Rufus, to take up his cross. And they bring him into the place called Golgotha, which being interpreted is, The place of Calvary. And they gave him to drink wine mingled with myrrh; but he took it not. And crucifying him, they divided his garments casting lots for them, what every man should take. And it was the third hour, and they crucified him. And the inscription of his cause was written over, THE KING OF THE JEWS. And with him they crucify two thieves, the one on his right hand and the other on his left. And the scripture was fulfilled which saith: "And with the wicked he was reputed." And they that passed by blasphemed him, wagging their heads, and saying: Vah, thou that destroyest the temple of God, and in three days buildest it up again: Save thyself, coming down from the cross. In like manner also the chief priests

with the scribes mocking, said one to another: He saved others, himself he cannot save. Let Christ the King of Israel come down now from the cross, that we may see and believe. And they that were crucified with him reviled him. And when the sixth hour was come, there was darkness over the whole earth until the ninth hour. And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying: Eloi, Eloi, lamma sabacthani? which is, being interpreted: My God, my God, why hast thou for-saken me? And some of the standers by hearing, said: Behold, he calleth Elias. And one running and filling a sponge with vinegar, and putting it upon a reed, gave him to drink, saying: Stay, let us see if Elias will come to take him down. And Jesus having cried out with a loud voice, gave up the ghost. *And the veil of the temple was rent in two from the top to the bottom. And the centurion who stood over against him, seeing that crying out in this manner he gave up the ghost, said: Indeed this man was the Son of God. And there were also women looking on afar off; among whom was Mary Magdalen, and Mary the mother of James the Less, and of Joseph, and Salome; who also when he was in Galilee followed him, and ministered to him, and many other women that came up with him to Jerusalem.

Here is said, Cleanse my heart. ORDINARY, p. XX.

A ND when evening was now come, (because it was the Parasceve, that is, the day before the Sabbath) Joseph of Arimathea, a noble counsellor, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, came and went in boldly to Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus. But Pilate wondered that he should be already dead. And sending for the centurion, he asked him if he were already dead. And

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when he had understood it by the centurion, he gave the body to Joseph. And Joseph buying fine linen, and taking him down, wrapped him up in the fine linen, and laid him in a sepulchre which was hewn out of a rock, and he rolled a stone to the door of the sepulchre.

OFFERT. Ps. cxxxix.—Keep me, O Lord, from the hands of the sinful man; and from unjust men

deliver me.

SECRET.—May these sacrifices, O Lord, we be-seech thee, which are accompanied with healing fasts, mercifully repair us. Thro'. COMM. Ps. lxviii.—The judges in the gate spoke against me, and they that drank wine, made

songs against me. But I poured forth my prayer to thee, O Lord: it is time, O God, to shew thy good will to me, according to the multitude of thy mercies.

P. COMM. Sanctificationibus.-May these thy holy mysteries, O Almighty God, both cure our vices and become an eternal remedy to us. Thro'.

Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Tua nos .- May thy mercy, O God, purify us from the corruption of the old man, and enable us to put on the new. Thro'.

WEDNESDAY.

INTROIT. Phil. ii.—At the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those that are in heaven, on earth, and under the earth: because the Lord became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross: therefore the Lord Jesus Christ is in the Glory of God the Father. Ps. ci. O Lord, hear my prayer, and let my cry come unto thee. At the name, &c

Immediately after Kyrie eleison, &c, is said: Let us pray. Let us kneel down. R. Stand up again. I. COLLECT. Præsta.-Grant, we beseech thee O Almighty God, that we who continually are punished for our excesses, may be delivered by the passion of thy only begotten Son. Who, &c.

I. LESSON. Isaias lxii, 11, lxiii, 1, 7,—Thus saith the Lord God: Tell the daughter of Sion: Be-hold thy Saviour cometh. Who is this that cometh from Edom, with dved garments from Bosra, this beautiful one in his robe, walking in the greatness of his strength? I, that speak justice, and am a defender to save. Why then is thy apparel red, and thy garments like them that tread in the wine press? I have trodden the wine press alone, and of the Gentiles there is not a man with me: I have trampled on them in my indignation, and have trodden them down in my wrath, and their blood is sprinkled upon my garments, and I have stained all my apparel. For the day of vengeance is in my heart, the year of my redemption is come. I looked about and there was none to help: I sought, and there was none to give aid: and my own arm hath saved me, and my indignation itself hath helped me. And I have trodden down the people in my wrath, and made them drunk in my indignation, and have prought down their strength to the earth. I will remember the tender mercies of the Lord, the praise of the Lord for all the things that the Lord hath bestowed on us.

GRAD. Ps. lxviii.—Turn not away thy face from thy servant, for I am in trouble: hear me speedily. P. Save me, O God, for the waters are come in even unto my soul; I stick fast in the mire of the deep,

and there is no sure standing.

The Lord be with you. R. And with thy spirit.

II. COLLECT. Deus qui.—O God, who wouldst have thy Son suffer on the cross, to deliver us from the power of the enemy; grant that we thy servants, may obtain the grace of his resurrection. Thro' the same.

II. LESSON. Isaias liii.—In those days: Isaics said: Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed? And he shall grow up as a tender plant before him, and as a root out of a thirsty ground: there is no beauty in him, nor comeliness: and we have seen him, and there was no sightliness that we should be desirous of him: despised, and the most abject of men, a man of sorrows, and acquainted with infirmity, and his look was as it were hidden and despised, whereupon we esteemed him not. Surely he hath borne our infirmities, and carried our sorrows: and we have thought him as it were a leper, and as one struck by God and afflicted. But he was wounded for our iniquities, he was bruised for our sins: the chastisement of our peace was upon him, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray, every one hath turned aside into his own way, and the Lord hath laid upon him the iniquity of us all. He was offered because it was his own will, and he opened not his mouth: he shall be led as a sheep to the slaughter, and shall be dumb as a lamb before his shearer, and he shall not open his mouth. He was taken away from distress, and from judgment: who shall declare his generation? because he is cut off out of the land of the living: for the wickedness of my people have I struck him. And he shall give the ungodly for his burial, and the rich for his death: because he hath done no iniquity, neither was there deceit in his mouth. And the Lord was pleased to bruise him in infirmity: if he shall lay down his life for sin, he shall see a longlived seed, and the will of the Lord shall be prosperous in his hand. Because his soul hath laboured, he shall see and be filled; by his knowledge shall this my just servant justify many, and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore will I distribute to him very

many, and he shall divide the spoils of the strong, because he hath delivered his soul unto death, and was reputed with the wicked: and he hath borne the sins of many, and hath prayed for the transgressors.

TRACT. Ps. ci.—Hear, O Lord, my prayer; and let my cry come unto thee. V. Turn not away thy face from me, in the day when I am in trouble; incline thy ear to me. V. In what day soever I shall call upon thee, hear me speedily. V. For my days are vanished like smoke; and my bones are as if they were fried in a frying-pan. V. I am smitten as grass, and my heart is withered; because I forgot to eat my bread. V. Thou, O Lord, arising wilt have mercy on Sion; for the time to have mercy on her is come.

The PASSION of our LORD JESUS CHRIST, according to Luke xxii.—xxiii.

I that time: The feast of unleavened bread, which is called the Pasch, was at hand. And the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might put Jesus to death: but they feared the people. And Satan entered into Judas, who was surnamed Iscariot, one of the twelve. And he went, and discoursed with the chief priests and the magistrates, how he might betray him to them. And they were glad, and covenanted to give him money. And he promised. And he sought opportunity to betray him in the absence of the multitude. And the day of the unleavened bread came, on which it was necessary that the pasch should be killed. And he sent Peter and John, saying: Go and prepare us the pasch, that we may eat. But they said: Where wilt thou that we prepare? And he said to them: Behold, as you go into the city, there shall meet you a man carrying a pitcher of water; follow him into the house where he entereth in: and you shall say to the good man of the house: 'The Master

saith to thee: Where is the guest-chamber, where I may eat the pasch with my disciples? And he will shew you a large dining-room furnished: and there prepare. And they going, found as he had said to them, and they made ready the pasch. And when the hour was come, he sat down, and the twelve apostles with him. And he said to them: With desire I have desired to eat this pasch with you before I suffer. For I say to you, that from this time I will not eat it, till it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God. And having taken the chalice he gave thanks, and said: Take and divide it among you. For I say to you, that I will not drink of the fruit of the vine, till the kingdom of God come. And taking bread, he gave thanks, and brake, and gave to them, saying: This is my body, which is given to you: do this for a commemoration of me. In like manner the chalice also, after he had supped, saying: This is the chalice, the new testament of my blood, which shall be shed for you. But yet behold, the hand of him that betrayeth me is with me on the table. And the Son of Man indeed goeth, according to that which is determined: but yet wo to that man by whom he shall be betraved. And they began to inquire among themselves, which of them it was that should do this thing. And there was also a strife amongst them, which of them should seem to be greater. And he said to them: The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and they that have power over them, are called benefi-cent. But you not so: but he that is the greater among you, let him be as the younger: and he that is the leader, as he that serveth. For which is greater, he that sitteth at table, or he that serveth? Is not he that sitteth at table? but I am in the ridst of you, as he that serveth: and you are they who have continued with me in my temptations: and I

dispose to you, as my Father hath disposed to me, a kingdom: that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom; and may sit upon thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And the Lord said: Simon, Simon, behold Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat. But I have prayed for thee that thy faith fail not: and thou, being once converted, confirm thy brethren. Who said to him: Lord, I am ready to go with thee both into prison, and to death. And he said: I say to thee, Peter, the cock shall not crow this day, till thou thrice deniest that thou knowest me. And he When I sent you without purse, said to them: and scrip, and shoes, did you want any thing? But they said: Nothing. Then said he to them: But now he that hath a purse, let him take it, and likewise a scrip: and he that hath no sword, let him sell his coat and buy one. For I say to you, that this that is written must yet be fulfilled in me, " And he was reckoned among the wicked:" for the things concerning me have an end. But they said: Lord, here are two swords. And he said to them: It is enough. And going out he went according to his custom to the mount of Olives. And his disciples also followed him. And when he was come to the place, he said to them: Pray, lest you enter into temptation. And he was withdrawn away from them a stone's cast; and kneeling down he prayed saying: Faner, if thou wilt, remove this cha-lice from me; but yet not my will, but thine be done. And there appeared to him an angel from heaven, strengthening him. And being in an agony, he prayed the longer. And his sweat became as drops of blood trickling down upon the ground. And when he rose up from prayer, and was come to his disciples, he found them sleeping for sorrow. And he said to them: Why sleep you? Arise, pray, let you enter into temptation. As he was yet speak

ing, behold a multitude: and he that was called Judas, one of the twelve, went before them, and drew near to Jesus to kiss him. And Jesus said to him: Judas, dost thou betray the Son of Man with a kiss? And they that were about him, seeing what would follow, said to him: Lord, shall we strike with the sword? And one of them struck the servant of the high priest, and cut off his right ear. But Jesus answering, said: Suffer ye thus far. And when he had touched his ear, he healed him. And Jesus said to the chief priests and magistrates of the temple, and the ancients that were come to him: Are you come out, as it were against a thief, with swords and clubs? When I was daily with you in the temple, you did not stretch forth your hands against me, but this is your hour, and the power of darkness. And apprehending him, they led him to the high priest's house: but Peter followed afar off. And when they had kindled a fire in the midst of the hall, and were sitting about it, Peter was in the midst of them. Whom when a certain servant maid had seen sitting at the light, and had earnestly beheld him, she said: This man also was with him. But he denied, saying: Woman, I know him not. And after a little while, another seeing him, said: Thou also art one of them. But Peter said: O man. I am not. And after the space as it were of one hour, another certain man affirmed, saying: Of a truth this man was also with him: for he is also a Galilean. And Peter said: Man, I know not what And immediately as he was yet thou sayest. speaking, the cock crew. And the Lord turning looked on Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, as he had said: Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice. And Peter going out wept bitterly. And the men that held him, mocked him, and struck him. And they blindfolded him and smot; him on the face. And they asked him.

maying: Prophesy, who is it that struck thee? And blaspheming, many other things they said against him. And as soon as it was day, the ancients of the people, and the chief priests, and scribes, came together, and they brought him into their council, saving: If thou be the Christ, tell us. And he said to them: If I shall tell you, you will not believe me; and if I shall also ask you, you will not answer me, nor let me go. But hereafter the Son of Man shall be sitting on the right hand of the power of God. Then said they all: Art thou the Son of God? And he said: You say that I am. And they said: What need we any further testimony? For ourselves have heard it from his own mouth. (Chap. xxiii.) And the whole multitude of them rose up, and led him away to Pilate. And they began to accuse him, saying: We have found this man perverting our nation, and forbidding to give tribute to Cæsar, and saving that he is Christ the King. And Pilate asked him saving: Art thou the king of the Jews? But he answering said: Thou sayest it. But Pilate said to the chief priests and to the multitude: I find no cause in this man. But they were more earnest, saying: He stirreth up the people, teaching throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee to this place. But Pilate hearing Galilee, asked if the man were of Galilee? And when he understood that he was of Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him away to Herod, who himself was also at Jerusalem in those days. And Herod seeing Jesus was very glad, for he was desirous of a long time to see him, because he had heard many things of him: and he hoped to see some sign wrought by him. And he questioned him with many words. But he answered him nothing. And the chief priests and the scribes stood by, earnestly accusing him. And Herod with his army set him at nought, and mocked him, putting on him a white garment, and sent him back to Pilate.

And Herod and Pilate were made friends that same day: for before they were enemies to one another. Then Pilate calling together the chief priests, and the magistrates, and the people, said to them: You have brought this man to me as one that perverteth the people, and behold I, having examined him before you, find no cause in this man touching those things wherein you accuse him. No, nor Herod neither. For I sent you to him, and behold, nothing worthy of death is done to him. I will chastise him therefore and release him. Now of necessity he was to release unto them one upon the feast day. But the whole multitude together cried out at once, saying: Away with this man, and release unto us Barabbas, who for a certain sedition made in the city, and for a murder, was cast into prison. And Pilate again spoke to them, desiring to release Jesus. But they cried out again, saying: Crucify him, crucify him. And he said to them the third time: Why, what evil hath this man done? I find no cause of death in him. I will chastise him therefore, and let him go. But they were instant with loud voices requiring that he might be crucified: and their voices prevailed. And Pilate gave sentence that it should be as they required. And he released unto them him who for murder and sedition had been cast into prison, whom they had desired: but Jesus he delivered up to their will And as they led him away, they laid hold on one Simon of Cyrene, coming from the country: and they laid the cross on him to carry after Jesus. And there followed him a great multitude of people, and of women who bewailed and lamented him. But Jesus turning to them, said: Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not over me, but weep for yourselves, and for your children. For behold the days shall come, wherein they will say, Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that have not borne, and the paps that have not given suck. Then shall they

begin to say to the mountains: Fall upon us: and to the hills, cover us. For if in the green wood they do these things, what shall be done in the dry? And there were also two other malefactors led with him, to be put to death. And when they were come to the place which is called Calvary, they crucified him there; and the robbers, one on the right hand, and the other on the left. And Jesus said: Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.' But they dividing his garments cast lots. And the people stood beholding, and the rulers with them derided him, saying: He saved others, let him save himself, if he be Christ, the elect of God. And the soldiers also mocked him, coming to him, and offering him vinegar, and saying: If thou be the king of the Jews, save thyself. And there was also a superscription written over him in letters of Greek, and Latin, and Hebrew: This is the King of the Jews. And one of those robbers who were hanged, blasphemed him, saying: If thou be Christ, save thyself and us. But the other answering, rebuked him, saying: Neither dost thou fear God, seeing thou art under the same condemnation: And we indeed justly, for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this man hath done no evil. And he said to Jesus: Lord, remember me when thou shalt come into thy kingdom. And Jesus said to him: Amen I say to thee, this day thou shalt be with me in paradise. And it was almost the sixth hour; and there was darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour. And the sun was darkened; and the veil of the temple was rent in the midst. And Jesus crying with a loud voice, said: Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit. And saying this, he gave up the ghost*. Now the centurion seeing what was done, glorified God, saving: Indeed this was a just man. the multitude of them that were come together to

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that sight, and saw the things that were done, returned striking their breast. And all his acquaintance, and the women that had followed him from Galilee, stood afar off, beholding these things.

Here is said the Prayer, Cleanse my heart, &c. p. x.c. A ND behold there was a man named Joseph, who was a counsellor, a good and just man: (the same had not consented to their counsel and doing) of Arimathea, a city of Judea, who also himself looked for the kingdom of God. This man went to Pilate and begged the body of Jesus. And taking him down he wrapped him in fine linen, and laid him in a sepulchre that was hewed in stone, wherein never yet any man had been laid.

OFFERT. Ps. ci.—Hear, O Lord, my prayer; and let my cry come to thee: turn not away thy face

from me.

SECRET. Accept, O Lord, we beseech thee the offerings we have made; and mercifully grant, that we may receive, with pious sentiments, what we celebrate in the mystery of the passion of our Lord. Thro' the same.

COMM. Ps. ci.—I mingled my drink with weeping for having lifted me up, thou hast thrown me down, and I am withered like grass; but thou, O Lord, endurest for ever: thou shalt arise, and have mercy on Sion; because the time to have mercy on her, is come.

P. COMM. Largire.—Grant, O Almighty God, that we may have a lively hope, that thou hast given us eternal life by the temporal death of thy Son, represented in these adorable mysteries. Thro' the same. Let us pray. Bow down your heads to God.

PRAYER. Respice.—Look down, O Lord, we beseech thee, on this thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ scrupled not to be delivered into the hands of wicked men, and undergo the punishment of the cross. Who liveth, &c. in secret.

MAUNDY-THURSDAY.

INTROIT. Gal: vi.

WE ought to glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ: in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection: by whom we have been saved and delivered.

Ps. May God have mercy on us, and bless us: may his countenance shine upon us, and may he have mercy on us.—We ought, &c.

NOS autem gloriari oportet in cruce Domini nostri Jesu Christi: in quo est salus, vita, et resurrectio nostra: per quem salvati, et liberati sumus.

Ps. lxvi. Deus misereatur nostri, et benedicat nobis: illuminet vultum suum super nos, et misereatur nostri. Nos autem, &c. to Ps.

The bells are rung during the whole time of the Gloria in excelsis: after which they remain silent, till the same time on Holy Saturday.

COLLECT. Deus, a quo.—O God, from whom both Judas received the punishment of his sin, and the thief the reward of his confession: grant us the effects of thy mercy; that as our Lord Jesus Christ, at the time of his passion, bestowed on both different rewards according to their merits; so, having destroyed the old man in us, he may give us grace to

rise again with him. Who liveth.

EPISTLE. 1 Cor. xi. 20. 32.——Brethren: When you come therefore together into one place, it is not now to eat the Lord's supper. For every one taketh before his own supper to eat. And one indeed is hungry, and another is drunk. What, have you not houses to eat and drink in? Or despise ye the church of God; and put them to shame that have not? What shall I say to you? Do I praise you? In this I praise you not. For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered to you, that

the Lord Jesus, the same night in which he was betrayed, took bread, and giving thanks, broke, and said: Take ye and eat: this is my body which SHALL BE DELIVERED FOR YOU: THIS DO FOR THE COMMEMORATION OF ME. In like manner also the Chalice, after he had supped, saying: This Cha-LICE IS THE NEW TESTAMENT IN MY BLOOD: THIS DO YE, AS OFTEN AS YE SHALL DRINK IT, FOR THE COMMEMORATION OF ME. For as often as you shall eat this bread, and drink the chalice, you shall shew the death of the Lord, until he come. Therefore whosoever shall eat this bread and drink the chalice of the Lord unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man prove himself. and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of the chalice. For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh judgment to himself, not discerning the body of the Lord. Therefore are there many infirm and weak among you, and many sleep. But if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged. But whilst we are judged, we are chastised by the Lord: that we be not condemned with this world.

GRADUAL. Phil. ii.

Christ for us became obedient unto death, even to the death of the cross. V. For which cause, God also hath exalted him, and hath given him a name, which is above all names.

Christus factus est pro nobis obediens usque ad mortem, mortem autem crucis. V. Propter quod et Deus exaltavit illum, et dedit illi nomen, quod est super omne nomen.

GOSPEL. John xiii. 1. 15.—Before the festival day of the pasch, Jesus knowing that his hour was come that he should pass out of this world to the Father: having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them unto the end. And when supper was done, (the devil having now put it into the heart of

Judas Iscariot, the son of Simon to betray him) knowing that the Father had given him all things into his hands, and that he came from God, and goeth to God: he riseth from supper, and layeth aside his garments, and having taken a towel, girded himself. After that, he putteth water into a basin, and began to wash the feet of the disciples, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded. He cometh therefore to Simon Peter. And Peter saith to him: Lord, dost thou wash my feet? Jesus answered, and said to him: What I do, thou knowest not now, but thou shalt know hereafter. Peter saith to him: Thou shalt never wash my feet. Jesus answered him: If I wash thee not, thou shalt have no part with me. Simon Peter saith to him: Lord, not only my feet, but also my hands and my Jesus saith to him: He that is washed, needeth not but to wash his feet, but is clean wholly. And you are clean, but not all. For he knew who he was that would betray him; therefore he said: You are not all clean. Then after he had washed their feet, and taken his garments, being set down again, he said to them: Know you what I have done to you? You call me, Master, and Lord: and you say well, for so I am. If then I, being your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that as I have done to you so do vou also. CREDO.

OFFERTORY. Ps. cxvii.

The right hand of the Lord hath displayed its might: the right hand of the Lord hath raised me up; I shall not die, but live and publish the works if the Lord.

Dextera Domini fecit virtutem: dextera Domini exaltavit me; non moriar, sed vivam, et narrabo opera Domini.

SECRET.-We beseech thee, O holy Lord, Al-

mighty Father, Eternal God, that our Lord Jesus Christ, thy Son, may make our sacrifice acceptable to thee, who on this day commanded his disciples to celebrate it in memory of him. Who.

COMMUNICANTES.—Being united in communion and celebrating this most sacred day on which our Lord Jesus Christ was betrayed for us; and also honouring in the first place the memory of glorious Mary, ever a Virgin, and Mother of the same God, and our Lord Jesus Christ: as also thy blessed apostles, &c. (as in the Ordinary, p. xxxiv.)

HANC IGITUR.—We therefore beseech thee, O Lord, graciously to accept this offering of us thy servants, and of thy whole family, which we make in memory of that day on which our Lord Jesus Christ commanded his disciples to celebrate the mysteries of his body and blood; and dispose our days in peace, preserve us from eternal damnation, and rank us in the number of thy elect. Thro'.

N. B. In detestation of the traitorous kiss of Judas, the PAX after Agnus Dei is not given to-day.

COMMUNION. John xiii.

The Lord Jesus, after he had supped with his disciples, washed their feet, and said to them: Do you understand what I have done to you, I who am your Lord and Master? I have set you an example, that you may do the same.

Dominus Jesus, postquam cænavit cum discipulis suis, lavit pedes eorum, et att illis: scitis, quid fecerim vobis, ego Dominus et Magister? Exemplum dedi vobis, ut et vos ita saciatis.

P. COMM. Refecti.—We be seech thee, O Lord, our God, that being nourished with this life-giving food, we may receive by thy grace, in immortal glory, what we celebrate in this mortal life. Thro'

IF Whilst the PRESANCTIFIED HOST, reserved for the Mass of to-morrow, is carrying in procession to the place prepared for its reception, the fol lowing Hymn is sung.

DAnge lingua gloriosi Corporis mysterium Sanguinisque pretiosi, Quem in mundi pretium Fructus ventris generosi, Rex effudit Gentium.

Nobis datus, nobis natus Ex intacta virgine, Et in mundo conversatus Sparso verbi semine. Sui moras incolatus Miro clausit ordine. [næ, In supremæ nocte cœ-Recumbens cum fratri-

bus, Observata lege plene Cibis in legalibus: Cibum turbæ duodenæ Se dat suis manibus.

Verbum caro panem verum

Verbo carnem efficit:

Fitque sanguis Christi merum

Et si sensus deficit; Ad firmandum cor sin-

cerum

Sola fides sufficit.

Tantum ergo sacramentum

Veneremur cernui ;

Et antiquum documentum

Novo cedat ritui:

Præstet fides supplementum

Sensuum defectui. Genitori, genitoque Laus et jubilatio; Salus, honor, virtus, quo-

que Sit et benedictio: Procedenti ab utroque Compar sit laudatio.

Amen.

VESPERS.

Ant. CALICEM salutaris accipiam, et nomen Do-ノ mini invocabo.

Ps. cxv.

YREDIDI propter guod locutus sum; • ego auteni humiliatus sum nimis.

Ego dixi in excessu

meo: * omnis hono mendax.

Quid retribuam Depro omnibus mino. quæ retribuit mihi?

Calicem salutaris accipiam, *et nomen Domini invocabo.

Vota mea Domino reddam coram omni populo ejus *pretiosa in conspectu Domini mors sanctorum ejus.

O Domine, quia ego servus tuus, *ego servus tuus, et filius ancillæ tuæ.

Dirupisti vincula mea: * tibi sacrificabo hostiam

🐧 D Dominum, cum tri-🔼 bularer, clamavi, *et exaudivit me.

Domine, libera animam meam a labiis ini-* et a lingua dolosa.

Quid detur tibi, aut quid apponatur tibi * ad linguam dolosam?

Sagittæ potentis acutæ, * cum carbonibus de-

solatoriis.

Ps. cxxxix.

RIPE me, Domine, L ab homine malo: a viro iniquo eripe me.

Qui cogitaverunt iniquitates in corde; * tota die constituebant prœlia.

Acuerunt linguas suas sicut serpentis; *venenum aspidum sub labiis eorum.

laudis et nomen Domini invocabo.

Vota mea Domino reddam in conspectu omnis populi ejus; * in atriis domus Domini, in medio tui, Jerusalem.

Ant. Calicem, &c.

Ant. Cum his qui oderunt pacem eram pacificus; dum loquebar illis, impugnabant me gratis.

Ps. cxix.

Heu mihi, quia incolatus meus prolongatus est: habitavi cum habitantibus Cedar: * multum incola fuit anima mea.

Cum his qui oderunt pacem, eram pacificus; * cum loquebar illis, expugnabant me gratis.

Ant. Cum his, &c. Ant. Ab hominibus iniquis libera me Domine.

Custodi me, Domine, de manu peccatoris; * et ab hominibus iniquis eripe me.

Qui cogitaverunt supplantare gressus meos, absconderunt superbi laqueum mihi.

Et funes extenderunt in laqueum; * juxta iter scandalum posuerunt

Dixi Domino; Deus meus es tu; * exaudi Domine, vocem deprecationis meæ.

Domine, Domine, virtus salutis meæ; * obumbrasti super caput meum in die belli.

Ne tradas me, Domine, a desiderio meo peccatori; * cogitaverunt contra me; ne derelinquas me, ne forte exaltentur.

Caput circuitus eorum,
labor labiorum ipsorum operiet eos.

Cadent super eos carbones, in ignem dejicies

Ps. cxl.

Domine, clamavi ad te, exaudi me; * intende voci meæ, cum clamavero ad te.

Dirigatur oratio mea, sicut incensum, in conspectu tuo; * elevatio manuum mearum sacrificium vespertinum.

Pone Domine custodiam ori meo; * et ostium circumstantiæ labiis meis.

Non declines cor meum in verba malitiæ,* eos: * in miseriis non subsistent.

Vir linguosus non dirigetur in terra: * virum injustum mala capient in interitu.

Cognovi quia faciet Dominus judicum inopis; * et vindictam pauperum.

Verumtamen justi confitebuntur nomini tuo; * et habitabunt recti cum vultu tuo.

Ant. Ab hominibus iniquis, &c.

Ant. Custodi me a laqueo quem statuerunt mihi, et a scandalis operantium iniquitatem.

ad excusandas excusationes in peccatis.

Cum hominibus operantibus iniquitatem,,
* et non communicabe.
cum electis eorum.

Corripiet me justus in misericordia, et increpabit me; * oleum autem peccatoris non impinguet caput meum.

Quoniam adhue et oratio mea in beneplacitis eorum: * absorpti sunt juncti petræ judices eorum.

Aa

Audient verba mea quoniam potuerunt. Sicut crassitudo terræ erupta est super terram.

Dissipata sunt nostra secus infernum: * quia ad te, Domine, Domine, oculi mei; in te speravi, non auferas animam meam.

Custodi me a laqueo,

Cadent in reticulo ejus

inivuitatem.

quem statuerunt mihi;*

et a scandalis operar.tium

peccatores; *singulariter sum ego donec transeam. Ant. Custodi me. &c.

Ant. Considerabam ad dexteram; et videbanı; et non erat qui cognosceret me.

Ps. cxli.

7 OCE mea ad Dominum clamavi: * voce mea ad Dominum deprecatus sum.

Effundo in conspectu eius orationem meam, et tribulationem meam ante ipsum pronuntio;

In deficiendo ex me spiritum meum: * et tu cognovisti semitas meas.

In via hac, qua ambulabam, * absconderunt superbi laqueum mihi.

Considerabam ad dexteram, et videbam; et non erat qui cognosceret me.

Perint fuga a me, * et

non erat qui requirat animam meam.

Clamavi ad te, Domine, * dixi: tu es spes mea, portio mea in terra viventium.

Intende ad deprecationem meam; * quia humiliatus sum nimis.

Libera me a persequentibus me; confortati sunt super me.

Educ de custodia animam meam ad confitendum nomini tuo; * me expectant justi donec retribuas mihi.

Ant. Considerabam ao &c. dexteram.

At the Magnificat.

'Ant. Cœnantibus autem illis accepit Jesus panem, et benedixit ac fregit, deditque discipulis RIJİS.

Christus pro nobis. obediusque ad ens tem.

M Agnificat * anima mea Dominum.

. Et exultavit spiritus meus * in Deo salutari meo.

Quia respexit humilitatem ancillæ suæ; * ecce enim ex hoc beatam me dicent omnes generationes.

Quia fecit mihi magna, qui potens est: * et sanctum nomen eius.

Et misericordia ejus a progenie in progenies, * timentibus eum.

Fecit potentiam in bra-Here all kneel, and say, Our Father, &c. in secret. P_8 . 1.

TIserere mei Deus, * secundum magnam misericordiam tuam.

Et secundum multitudinem miserationum tuarum, * dele iniquitatem meam.

Amplius lava me ab iniquitate mea; * et a peccato meo munda me.

Quoniam iniquitatem meam ego cognosco; * et peccatum meum contra me est semper.

Tibi soli peccavi, et malum coram te feci;* ut justificeris in sermonious tuis, et vincas cum judicaris.

chio suo ; * dispersit superbos mente cordis sui. Deposuit potentes de

sede; * et exaltavit humiles.

Esurientes implevit bonis; * et divites dimisit inanes.

Suscepit Israel pu suum ; * recordatu ım nisericordiæ suæ.

Sicut locutus es ad patres nostros, *Abr. am. et semini ejus, in sa ula.

Ant. Cœnantibus &c. V. Christus factu., &c.

Ecce enim in inquitatibus conceptus sum; et in peccatis concepit me mater mea.

Ecce enim veritatem dilexisti; * incerta et occulta sapientiæ tuæ manifestasti mihi.

Asperges me hyssopo, et mundabor; * lavabis me, et super nivem dealbabor.

Auditui meo gaudium et lætitiam: * et exultabunt ossa humiliata.

Averte faciem tuam a peccatis meis ; * et omnes iniquitates meas dele.

Aa2

Cor mundum crea in me, Deus; * et spiritum rectum innova in visceribus meis.

Ne projicias me a facie tua: *et spiritum sanctum tuum ne auferas a me.

Redde mihi lætitiam salutaris tui; * et spiritu principali confirma me.

Docebo iniquos vias tuas; * et impii ad te convertentur.

Libera me de sanguinibus, Deus, Deus salutis meæ; - * et exaltabit justitiam lingua mea tuam.

Domine, labia mea aperies, * et os meum annuntiabit laudem tuam.

Quoniam si voluisses sacrificium, dedissem utique; * holocaustis non delectaberis.

Sacrificium Deo spiritus contribulatus: * cor contritum et humiliatum, Deus, non despicies.

Benigne fac Domine, in bona voluntate tua Sion; * ut ædificentur muri Jerusalem.

Tunc acceptabis sacrificium justitiæ, tiones et holocausta; * tunc imponent super altare tuum vitulos.

PRAYER. Respice.—Look down, page 270.

GOOD-FRIDAY.

MASS of the PRESANCTIFIED.

The Priest (with his Ministers, having for some time lain prostrate in the sanctuary, in silent prayer) he arises and goes up and kisses the middle of the altar: then a Reader begins the Lessons, in an audible voice, without any title, whilst the Priest reads them at the same time, in a low voice, at the Epistle side of the altar.

I. LESSON. Osce vi. 1. 6 .- Thus saith the Lord: In their affliction they will rise early to me: Come, and let us return to the Lord. For he hath taken us, and he will heal us: he will strike, and he will cure us. He will revive after two days: on the third day he will raise us up, and we shall live in his sight. We shall know and we shall follow on, that we may know the Lord. His going forth is prepared as the morning light, and he will come to us as the early and the latter rain to the earth. What shall I do to thee, O Ephraim? what shall I do to thee, O Juda? Your mercy is as a morning cloud, and as the dew that goeth away in the morning. For this reason have I hewed them by the prophets, I have slain them by the words of my mouth: and thy judgments shall go forth as the light. For I desired mercy, and not sacrifice; and the knowledge of God more than holocausts.

TRACT. Habac. iii. — Domine, audivi auditionem tuam, et timui: consideravi opera tua, et expavi. Lord, I have heard thy works, and was afraid: I considered thy works, and trembled. V. Thou wilt appear between two animals; when the years draw near, thou wilt be known; when the time shall come, thou wilt be shewn. V. When my soul shall be in trouble, even in thy wrath thou wilt remember thy mercy. V. God will come from Libanus, and the Holy One from the dark mountain. V. His majesty hath clouded the heavens; and the

earth is full of his praise.

Let us pray.

Flectamus genua.
R. Levate.
COLLECT. Deus, a quo, as p. 271.

II. LESSON. Exod. xii. 1. 11.—In those days. The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall be to you the beginning of months: it shall be the first in the months of the year. Speak ye to the whole assembly of the children of Israel, and say to them: On the tenth day of this month let every man take a lamb by their families and houses. But if the number be

less than may suffice to eat the lamb, he shall take unto him his neighbour that joineth to his house, according to the number of souls which may be enough to eat the lamb. And it shall be a lamb without blemish, a male of one year; according to which rite also he shall kill a kid. And you shall keep it unto the fourteenth day of this month: and the whole multitude of the children of Israel shall sacrifice it in the evening. And they shall take of the blood thereof, and put it upon both the sideposts, and on the upper door posts of the houses, wherein they shall eat it. And they shall eat the flesh that night roasted at the fire, and unleavened bread, with wild lettuce. You shall not eat thereof any thing raw, nor boiled in water, but only roasted at the fire: you shall eat the head with the feet and entrails thereof. Neither shall there remain any thing of it until morning. If there be any thing left, you shall burn it with fire. And thus you shall eat it: you shall gird your reins, and you shall have shoes on your feet, holding staves in your hands, and you shall eat in haste: for it is the Phase (that is the passage) of the Lord.

TRACT. Ps. cxxxix. - Eripe me, Domine, ab

homine malo: a viro iniquo libera me, &c.

Deliver me, O Lord, from the evil man: rescue me from the unjust man. V. Who have devised iniquities in their hearts: all the day long they designed battles. V. They have sharpened their tongues like a serpent: the venom of asps is under their lips. V. Keep me, O Lord, from the hand of the wicked and from unjust men deliver me. V. Who have proposed to supplant my steps; the proud have hid a net for me. V. And they have stretched out cords for a snare: they have laid for me a stumbling block by the way side. V. I said to the Lord; thou art my God; hear, O Lord, the voice of my supplication. V. O Lord, Lord the might of my salvation

cover thou my head in the day of battle. V. Give me not up, O Lord, from my desire to the wicked: they have plotted against me, do not thou forsake me, lest they should triumph. V. The head of their compassing me about: the labour of their lips shall overwhelm them. V. But as for the just they shall give glory to thy name: and the upright shall dwell with thy countenance.

The PASSION of our LORD JESUS CHRIST

according to John xviii. and xix.

T that time: Jesus went with his disciples over • It the brook Cedron, where there was a garden, into which he entered with his disciples. And Judas also, who betrayed him, knew the place; because Jesus had often resorted thither together with his disciples. Judas therefore having received a band of soldiers, and servants from the chief priests and the Pharisees, cometh thither with lanterns, and torches, and weapons. Jesus therefore knowing all things that should come upon him, went forth, and said to them: Whom seek ye? They answered him: Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus saith to them: I am And Judas also, who betrayed him, stood As soon therefore as he had said to them: I am he: they went backward, and fell to the ground. Again therefore he asked them: Whom seek ye? And they said: Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus answered: I have told you, that I am he. If therefore you seek me, let these go their way. That the word might be fulfilled which he said: Of them whom thou hast given me, I have not lost any one. Then Simon Peter having a sword drew it: and struck the servant of the high-priest, and cut off his right ear. And the name of the servant was Malchus. Jesus then said to Peter: Put up thy sword into the scabbard: The chalice which my Father hath given me, shall I not drink it? Then the band, and the tribune, and the servants of the Jews took Jesus, and they bound him. And they led him away to

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Annas first, for he was father-in-law to Caiphas. who was the high-priest of that year. Now Caiphas was he who had given the counsel to the Jews: That it was expedient that one man should die for the people. And Simon Peter followed Jesus, and so did another disciple. And that disciple was known to the high-priest, and went in with Jesus into the court of the high-priest. But Peter stood at the door without. The other disciple therefore who was known to the high-priest, went out, and spoke to the porteress, and brought in Peter. And the maid that was porteress, saith to Peter: Art not thou also one of this man's disciples: He saith: I am not. Now the servants and officers stood at a fire of coals, because it was cold, and warmed themselves. And with them was Peter also standing and warming himself. The high-priest then asked Jesus of his disciples and of his doctrine. answered him: I have spoken openly to the world: I have always taught in the synagogue, and in the temple, whither all the Jews resort; and in secret I have spoken nothing. Why asketh thou me? ask them who have heard what I have spoken unto them: behold they know what things, I have said. And when he had said these things, one of the officers standing by, gave Jesus a blow, saying: Answerest thou the high-priest so? Jesus answered him: If I have spoken evil, give testimony of the evil: but if well, why strikest thou me? And Annas sent him bound to Caiphas the high-priest. And Simon Peter was standing, and warming himself. They said therefore to him: Art not thou also one of his disciples? He denied it, and said: I am not. One of the servants of the high-priest (a kinsman to him whose ear Peter cut off) saith to him: Did not I see thee in the garden with him? Then Peter again denied: and immediately the cock crew. they led Jesus from Cainhas to the governor's hall

And it was morning; and they went not into the hall, that they might not be defiled, but that they might eat the pasch. Pilute therefore went out to them and said: What accusation bring you against this man? They answered and said to him: If he were not a malefactor we would not have delivered him up to thee. Pilate then said to them: Take him you, and judge him according to your law. The Jews therefore said to him: It is not lawful for us to put any man to death. That the word of Jesus might be fulfilled which he said, signifying what death he should die: Pilate therefore went into the hall again, and called Jesus and said to him: thou the king of the Jews? Jesus answered: Sayest thou this thing of thyself, or have others told it thee of me? Pilate answered: Am I a Jew? Thy own nation, and the chief priest have delivered thee up to me: what hast thou done? Jesus answered: My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would certainly strive that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now my kingdom is not from hence. Pilate therefore said to him: Art thou a king then? Jesus answered: Thou sayest, that I am a king. For this was I born, and for this I came into the world; that I should give testimony to the truth. Every one that is of the truth. heareth my voice. Pilate saith to him: What is the truth? And when he had said this, he went out again to the Jews, and said to them: I find no cause in him. But you have a custom that I should release one unto you at the pasch: will you therefore that I release unto you the king of the Jews? Then cried they all again saying: Not this man but Barabbas. Now Barabbas was a robber. Then therefore Pilate took Jesus, and scourged him. And the soldiers platting a crown of thorns, put it upon his head: and they put on him a purple garment. An they came to him, and said: Hail, king of the Jews

and they give him blows. Pilate therefore went forth again, and saith to them: Behold I bring him forth unto you, that you may know that I find no cause in him. (Jesus therefore came forth bearing the crown of thorns, and the purple garment.) And he saith to them: Behold the man. When the chief priests therefore and the servants had seen him, they cried out saying: Crucify him, crucify him. saith to them: Take him you, and crucify him: for I find no cause in him. The Jews answered him: We have a law; and according to that law he ought to die, because he made himself the Son of God When Pilate therefore had heard this saying, he feared the more. And he entered into the hall again; and he said to Jesus: Whence art thou? But Jesus gave him no answer. Pilate therefore saith to him: Speakest thou not to me? knowest thou not that I have power to crucify thee, and I have power to release thee? Jesus answered: Thou shouldst not have any power against me, unless it were given thee from above. Therefore he that hath delivered me to thee, hath the greater sin. And from thenceforth Pilate sought to release him. But the Jews cried out, saying; If thou release this man, thou art not Cæsar's friend. For whosoever maketh himself a king, speaketh against Cæsar. Now when Pilate had heard these words, he brought Jesus forth: and sat down in the judgment-seat in the place that is called Lithostrotos, and in the Hebrew Gabbatha. And it was the parasceve of the pasch, about the sixth hour, and he saith to the Jews: Behold your king. But they cried out: Away with him, away with him, crucify him. Pilate saith to them: Shall I crucify your king? The chief priests answered: We have no king but Cæsar. Then therefore he delivered him to them to be crucified. And they took Jesus, and led him forth. And bearing his own cross, he went forth to that place which is called

Calvary, but in Hebrew Golgotha. Where they crucified him, and with him two others, one on each side, and Jesus in the midst. And Pilate wrote a title also: and he put it upon the cross. And the writing was JESUS OF NAZARETH THE KING OF THE JEWS. This title therefore many of the Jews did read: because the place where Jesus was crucified, was nigh to the city; and it was written in Hebrew, in Greek, and in Latin. Then the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate: Write not, The king of the Jews; but that he said, I am the king of the Jews. Pilate answered: What I have written, I have written. The soldiers therefore when they had crucified him, took his garments (and they made four parts, to every soldier a part), and also his coat. Now the coat was without seam, woven from the top throughout. They said then one to another: Let us not cut it, but let us cast lots for it whose it shall be; that the scripture might be fulfilled which saith: "They have parted my garments among them and upon my vesture they have cast lots." And the soldiers indeed did these things. Now there stood by the cross of Jesus, his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalen. When Jesus therefore had seen his mother, and the disciple standing whom he loved, he saith to his mother: Woman, behold thy Son. After that, he saith to the disciple: Behold thy mother. And from that hour the disciple took her to his own. Afterward Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be fulfilled, said: I thirst. Now there was a vessel set there full of vinegar. And they putting a sponge full of vinegar about hyssop put it to his mouth. Jesus therefore when he had taken the vinegar, said it is consummated. And cowing his head, he gave up the ghost.* Then the

^{*} Here all kneel, and pause.

Jews (because it was the parasceve) that the bodies might not remain upon the cross on the sabbath-day (for that was a great sabbath-day), besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away. The soldiers therefore came: and they broke the legs of the first, and of the other that was crucified with him. But after they came to Jesus, when they saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. But one of the soldiers with a spear opened his side, and immediately there came out blood and water. And he that saw it hath given testimony: and his testimony is true And he knoweth that he saith true; that you also may believe. For these things were done that the scripture might be fulfilled: "You shall not break a bone of him." And again another scripture saith: "They shall look on him whom they pierced."

Here is said, Cleanse my heart. ORDINARY, p. xx.

A ND after these things Joseph of Arimathea (because he was a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews) besought Pilate that he might take the body of Jesus. And Pilate gave leave. He came therefore and took away the body of Jesus. And Nicodemus also came, he who at the first came to Jesus by night, bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about one hundred pound weight. They took therefore the body of Jesus, and bound it in linen cloths with the spices, as the manner of the Jews is to bury. Now there was in the place, where he was crucified, a garden: and in the garden a new sepulchre, wherein no man had yet been laid. There therefore, because of the parasceve of the Jews, they laid Jesus, because the sepulchre was nigh at hand.

Then the Priest, standing on the Epistle side, says as follows.

[Let us pray, most dearly beloved brethren, for the

holy Church of God, that the Lord God would be pleased to grant it peace, maintain it in union, and preserve it all over the earth. That he would like wise bring into her bosom, the princes and potentates of the whole world, and grant us peace and tranquillity in this life, and to glorify God the Father Almighty.]

Priest. Let us pray. Deacon. Let us kneel down.

Subdeacon. Stand up again.

Almighty and Éternal God, who, by Christ, hast revealed thy glory to all nations; preserve the works of thine own mercy, that thy Church, which is spread over the whole world, may persevere with a constant faith in the confession of thy name. Thro' the same. R. Amen.

[Let us pray also for our most Holy Father, Pope N. that our Lord God, who hath made choice of him in the order of the Episcopacy, may preserve him in health and safety for the good of his holy Church, and to govern the holy people of God.]

Priest. Let us pray. Deacon. Let us kneel down.

Subdeacon. Stand up again.

Almighty and Eternal God, by whose appointment all things are established and maintained; mercifully regard our prayers, and by thy goodress, preserve the Prelate chosen to govern us; that the Christian people, who are governed by thy authority, may increase the merits of their faith under so great a Bishop. Thro'. R. Amen.

Let us also pray for all Bishops, Priests, Deacons, Subdeacons, Acolytes, Exorcists, Readers, Doorkeepers, Confessors, Virgins, Widows, and for all

the holy people of God.]

Priest. Let us pray. Deacon. Let us kneel down.

Subdeacon. Stand up again.

Almighty and Eternal God, by whose spirit the whole body of the Church is sanctified and B b governed; hear our prayers for all orders and degrees thereof: that by the assistance of thy grace, thou mayest be served by every rank and condition. Thro'. R. Amen.

[Let us pray also for N. N. that the Lord God may reduce to his obedience all barbarous nations for our perpetual peace.]

Priest. Let us pray. Deacon. Let us kneel down.

Subdeacon. Stand up again.

O Almighty and Eternal God, in whose hands are the power and right of all kingdoms: graciously look down on the empire N. N. that those nations who confide in their own haughtiness and strength may be reduced by the power of thy right hand. Thro R. Amen.

[Let us pray also for our Catechumens, that our Lord God may open for them the ears of their hearts, and the gates of mercy; that having received the remission of sin by the laver of regeneration, they may also belong to our Lord Jesus Christ.]

Priest. Let us pray. Deacon. Let us kneel down.

Subdeacon. Stand up again.

Almighty and Eternal God, who continually makest the Church fruitful in new children; increase the faith and understanding of our Catechumens, that, being again born at the font of baptism. they may be joined to thy adopted children. Thro' R. Amen.

[Let us pray, most dearly beloved brethren to God the Father Almighty, that he would purge the world of all errors, cure diseases, drive away famine, open prisons, break chains, grant a safe return to travellers, health to the sick, and a secure harbour to such as are at sea.]

Priest. Let us pray. Deacon. Let us kneel down.

Subdeacon. Stand up again.

Almighty and Eternal God, the comfort of the afflicted, and the strength of those that labour; set the prayers of all, such as call upon thee in tribulation, come to thee; that all with joy, may find the effects of thy mercy in their necessities. Thro'. R. Amen.

[1 et us pray also for all heretics and schismatics, that our Lord God would be pleased to deliver them from all their errors, and call them back to our Holy Mother the Catholic and Apostolic Church.]

Priest. Let us pray. Deacon. Let us kneel down.

Subdeacon. Stand up again.

O Almighty and Eternal God, who savest all and wouldst have none to perish; look down on those souls that are seduced by the deceits of the devil; that the hearts of all those who err, laying aside all heretical malice, may repent and return to the unity of the truth. Thro'. R. Amen.

[Let us pray also for the perfidious Jews; that the Lord God would withdraw the veil from their hearts, that they also may acknowledge our Lord

Jesus Christ thy Son.]

Flectamus genua is here omitted, in abhorrence of the insult offered by the Jews to our Saviour, when they knelt before him in derision, in the hall of

Pilate's palace.

Almighty and Eternal God, who deniest not thy mercy even to the perfidious Jews; hear our prayers which we pour forth for the blindness of that people; that by acknowledging the light of thy truth, which is the Christ, they may be brought out of their darkness. Thro'. R. Amen.

Let us pray also for the Pagans, that Almighty God would remove all iniquity from their hearts; that quitting their idols, they may be converted to the true and living God, and his only Son, Jesus

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Christ our Lord.]

Priest. Let us pray. Deacon. Let us kneel down. S. bdeacon. Stand up again.

Almighty and Eternal God, who seekest not the death of sinners, but that they should live; mercifully hear our prayers, and deliver them from their idolatry: and, to the praise and glory of thy name, admit them into thy holy Church. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who livest. R. Amen.

Here the Priest takes down the cross, and uncovering the top of it, says,

Anth. Behold the wood of the cross, on which hung the Salvation of the World.

Then the Clergy, and all the people, on their bended knees, answer:

R. Come let us adore*. Venite adoremus.

- * This Anth. and R. being repeated twice more, till the whole Cross is uncovered, the Priest lays it down in a proper place, and all kneeling thrice on both knees, reverently approach to, and devoutly kiss the feet of the crucifix. During this ceremony, two chanters in the middle of the choir sing alternately, the versicles called the Reproaches, because they are in the name of Christ reproaching the Jewish people with ingratitude, for the manifold blessings and favours he had conferred on them.
- V. My people, what have I done to thee? Or feci tibi? Aut in quo in what have I grieved contristavi te? Responde thee? Answer me.
- * The intention of the Church, in exposing the cross to our veneration on this day, is, that we might the more effectually raise up our hearts to HIM who expired thereon for our redemption. Whenever, therefore, we kneel or prostrate ourselves before a crucifix, it is JESUS CHRIST only whom we adore, and it is in him alone that our respects terminate.

V. Because I brought Quia eduxi te de thee out of the land of Egypti: parasti Egypt; thou hast precrucem Salvatori tuo. pared a cross for thy Saviour.

1. Choir sings, Agios Theos.

O holy God. II. Choir answers, Sanctus Deus.

I. Choir, Agios Ischyros.

miserere nobis.

O Most Holy One. II. Choir. Sanctus Fortis.

I. Choir, Agios Athanatos eleison) O Holy Immortal imas. II. Choir, Sanctus immortalis,

One, have mer-

* After singing the foregoing praises of God in Greek and Latin (formerly the two most universal languages, to shew the union between all the Churches), two of the second choir proceed with the Reproaches.

V. Because I was thy guide through the desert for forty years, and fed thee with manna, and brought thee into an excellent land, thou hast prepared a cross for thy Saviour.

Then Agios o Theos, &c. is repeated alternately as above, after which two of the first choir sing:

V. What more should I have done to thee, and have not done? I have planted thee for my most beautiful vineyard: and thou hast proved very bitter to me, for in my thirst thou givest me vinegar to drink; and piercedst the side of thy Saviour with a spear.

Agios o Theos, &c. is repeated as above.

V. For thy sake I scourged Egypt with her firstborn; and thou hast delivered me up to be scourged.

The whole Choir. My people, what have I done to thee? or in what have I grieved thee? Answer me.

Two of I. Choir.] V. I led thee out of Egypt, having drowned Pharaoh in the Red Sea; and thou hast delivered me up to the chief priests.

The whole Choir. My people, &c.

Two of II. Choir.] V. I opened the sea before thee; and thou hast opened my side with a spear.

The whole Choir. My people, &c.

Two of I. Choir.] V. I went before thee in a pillar of cloud; and thou hast brought me to the court of Pilate.

The whole Choir. My people, &c.
'Two of II. Choir.] V. I fed thee with manna
in the desert; and thou hast beaten me with buffets and stripes.

The whole Choir. My people, &c.
Two of I. Choir.] V. I gave thee wholesome water to drink out of the rock, and thou hast given me for my drink gall and vinegar.

The whole Choir. My people, &c.

Two of II. Choir. V. For thy sake I smote the king of Canaan; and thou hast smote my head with a cane.

The whole Choir. My people, &c.

Two of I. Choir. V. I gave thee a royal sceptre; and thou hast given me a crown of thorns.

The whole Choir. My people, &c.

Two of II. Choir.] V. By great might I raised thee on high; and thou hast hanged me on the gibbet of the cross.

The whole Choir. My people, &c. and the

Anthem. We adore thy cross, O Lord, and we praise and glorify thy holy resurrection, for by the wood of the cross the whole earth is filled with joy.

Ps. May God have mercy on us and bless us; may his countenance shine upon us, and may he have mercy on us.

Ant. We adore thee, &c. to Ps.

Then is sung the Versicle, O faithful cross! with the Hymn, in the following manner:

O Faithful cross! O noblest tree!
In all our woods there's none like thee:
No earthly groves, no shady bow'rs
Produce such leaves, such fruit such flow'rs.
*Sweet are the nails, and sweet the wood,
That bears a weight, so sweet so good.

HYMN.

SING, O my tongue, devoutly sing
The glorious laurels of our King:
Sing the triumphant victory
Gain'd on the cross erected high;
Where man's Redeemer yields his breath,
And, dying, conquers hell and death.
O faithful cross, &cc. is repeated to*.

With pity our Creator saw
His noblest work transgress his law,
When our first parents rashly ate
The fatal tree's forbidden meat;
He then resolv'd the cross's wood
Should make that tree's sad damage good.
Sweet are the nails, &c., from*.

By this wise method God design'd From sin and death to save mankind; Superior art with love combines, And arts of Satan countermines: And where the traitor gave the wound, There healing remedies are found.

O faithful cross, &c. to*.

When the full time decreed above
Was come to shew this work of love,
Th' Eternal Father sends his Son,
The world's Creator from his throne!
Who on our earth, this vale of tears,
Cloth'd with a virgin's flesh appears.
Sweet are the nails, &c. from.

Thus God made man, an infant lies, And in the manger weeping cries; His sacred limbs by Mary bound, The poorest tatter'd rags surround; And God's incarnate feet and hands Are closely bound with swathing bands.

O faithful cross, &c. to*.

Full thirty years were fully spent In this our mortal banishment;
And then the Son of Man decreed For the lost sons of men to bleed;
And on the cross a victim laid,
The solemn expiation made.

Sweet are the nails, &c. from*.

Gall was his drink; his flesh they tear With thorns and nails; a cruel spear Pierces his side, from whence a flood Streams forth, of water mix'd with blood; With what a tide are wash'd again The sinful earth, the stars the main!

O faithful cross, &c. to*.

Bend tow'ring tree, thy branches bend,
Thy native stubbornness suspend:
Let not stiff nature use its force,
To weaker saps have now recourse;
With softest arms receive thy load,
And gently bear our dying God.

Sweet are the nails, &c. from*.

On thee alone the Lamb was slain
That reconcil'd the world again;
And when on raging seas was tost
The shipwreck'd world and mankind lost,
Besprinkled with his sacred gore,
Thou safely brought them to the shore
O faithful cross, &c. to*.

All glory to the sacred Three, One undivided Deity:

To Father Holy Ghost and Son, Be equal praise and homage done: Let the whole universe proclaim Of One and Three the glorious name. Amen. Sweet are the nails, &c. from*.

Towards the end of the Adoration, &c. the Candles on the Altar are lighted, and the Cross being placed thereon, the Priest, with his Attendants, go to fetch the Presanctified Host from the place where it was vesterday deposited. Whilst the Procession is returning the following HYMN is sung.

deunt,

Fulgit Crucis mysterium; Qua vita mortem pertu-

lit, Et morte vitam protulit. Quæ vulnerata lanceæ Mucrone diro, criminum Ut nos laveret sordibus. Manavit unda et sanguine. Impleta sunt, quæ concinit.

David fideli carmine,

Dicendo nationibus: Regnavit a ligno Deus.

Arbor decora et fulgida,

Ornata regis purpura!

VEXILLA regis pro- Electa digno stipite Tam sancta membra tangere!

Beata, cujus brachiis Pretium pependit sæculi, Statera facta corporis, Tulitque prædam tartari

O crux, ave spes uni-

Hoe passionis tempore! Piis adauge gratiam, Reisque dele crimina.

Te fons salutis, Trini-

Collaudet omnis Spiritus; Quibus crucis victoriam Largiris, adde præmium. Amen.

Having placed the Sacred Host on the Altar, he censes it on his knees, and lays it on the corporal: and after receiving the Chalice with wine and water from the Deacon, he censes both Host and Chalice, saying:

TAY this incense, which hath been blessed by thee, O Lord, ascend to thee, and may thy

mercy descend upon us.

At the censing of the Altar.

LET my prayer, O Lord, ascend like incense in thy sight; and let the lifting up of my hands be like the evening sacrifice. Place, O Lord, a guard upon my mouth, and a gate of prudence before my lips, that my heart may not wander after words of malice, to seek excuses in sin.

On returning the Censer to the Deacon he says:

[AY the Lord kindle in us the fire of his love,

IV.L and the flame of everlasting charity.

Then he washes his fingers without saying any thing; afterwards he bows down at the middle of the altar,

and says:

A CCEPT us, O Lord, coming to thee in the spirit of humility, and with a contrite heart; and grant that the sacrifice of this day may be so celebrated by us as to be well pleasing to thee, O Lord our God.

Then turning about towards the people, he says:

Pr. BRETHREN, pray that this my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father

Almighty.

R. May the Lord receive this sacrifice from thy hands to the praise and glory of his own name, to our benefit, and that of all his holy Church.

Let us pray.

Pr. INSTRUCTED by thy saving precepts, and following thy divine directions, we presume to say: Our Father, &c. p. xxix.

R. Deliver us from all evil.

Having answered Amen in silence, he then says aloud: Deliver us, we beseech thee, O Lord, &c. as in p. xl.

Having elevated the Sacred Host, and divided it into three parts, he puts one of them into the Chalice saving:

LET not the participation of thy body, O Lord Jesus Christ, which I, though unworthy, pre

sume to receive, turn to my judgment and con-demnation; but let it, through thy mercy, become a safe-guard and remedy both to soul and body: who with God the Father, in unity with the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest, one God, world without Amen.

Taking up the Sacred Host on the Paten, he says: WILL receive the bread of heaven, and call on

the name of the Lord.

Then he strikes his breast, repeating thrice:

ORD, I am not worthy thou shouldst enter under I my roof; speak therefore but the word, and my soul shall be healed.

When he receives the Sacred Host, he says:

MAY the body of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve my soul to everlasting life. Amen.

Having received the Chalice, and taken the Ablution.

bowing down, he says:

RANT, O Lord, that what we have taken with our mouths, we may receive with a pure heart; that as we now receive it in this mortal life, it may procure us that which is eternal.

VESPERS.

Anthem's and Psalms, as yesterday, p. 275. except the Ant. At the Magnificat.

Ant. Cum accepisset acetum dixit; consummatum

est : et inclinato capite, emisit spiritum.

V. Christus factus est pro nobis obediens usque ad

mortem, mortem autem crucis.

Our Father being said in secret, the office concludes with the Ps. Miserere, p. 279, and the Prayer Resрке, р. 270.

HOLY SATURDAY.

N the first ages of the Church there was no Mass Leelebrated either on this day or yesterday. The faithful silently adored Jesus Christ in the sepulchre till towards evening, when they assembled in the Church, ?

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and occupied themselves in praying, reading lessons from the holy Scriptures, singing psalms, baptising and confirming catechumens, &c. &c. until about midnight, when the Mass of the Resurrection began. Wherefore in order to perpetuate the remembrance of the fervent piety of her first children, the Church still retains the word night in the Office of this day.

The BLESSING of the FIRE.

The Lord be with you. R. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray. Deus, qui.

OGOD, who by thy only Son, the chief cornerstone of thy Church, hast bestowed on the faithful the fire of thy divine love: bless 4 this new fire produced from a flint for our use: and grant that during this paschal solemnity. we may be so inflamed with heavenly desires, that with purity of mind, we may come to those festivals, where we may enjoy a light which will never end. Thro' the same. R. Amen.

Let us pray. Domine, Deus.

LORD God, Almighty Father, never-failing light, who art the Creator of all the lights; bless 4 this light, which hath been before blessed and sanctified by thee, who hast enlightened the whole world; that we may be inflamed by that same light, and enlightened by the fire of thy brightness: and as thou didst enlighten Moses when he went out of Egypt, so enlighten our hearts and senses, that we may obtain that light and life which will have no end. Thro' Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

Let us pray. Domine sancte.

O HOLY Lord, Almighty Father, Eternal God, vouchsafe to assist us, while we bless this fire in thy name, and in that of thy only Son Jesus Christ, our Lord and God, and the Holy Chost: assist us against the fiery darts of the enemy, and enlighten us with thy heavenly grace. Who livest and reignest with the same, &c. R. Amen.

The BLESSING of the five Grains of INCENSE. DLENTILULLY pour forth, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, thy & blessing on this incense and kindle, O invisible regenerator, the brightness of this night; that not only the sacrifice which is offered this night may shine by the sacred mixture of thy light; but also, that into whatever place any thing sanctified by these mystical prayers shall be carried, there by the power of thy majesty, all the malicious artifices of the devil may be defeated Thro' Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

After an Acolyte has put some of the blessed Fire into the Censer, the Priest adds incense saying: "May thou be blessed I by him, in whose honour thou art to be burnt." Here he sprinkles the Grains of Incense and the Fire thrice saying: "Sprinkle me, &c." p. xiii. Then having funed them thrice with Incense, he takes the Cane with the three Candles to the entrance of the Church, where one is lighted by an Acolyte with a candle from the new fire, whilst the Deacon sings alone: "Behold the light of Christ," to which, all kneeling, add: "R. Thanks be to God."

The same is repeated at lighting the second in the middle of the Church, and the third at the foot of the altar; after which the Deacon says: "Pray, Sir, give me your blessing." To which the Priest replies: "May the Lord be in your heart and lips, that you may worthily and fitly proclaim his Paschal praise: in the name of the Father, and of the Son 4, &c. R. Amen.

During the BLESSING of the PASCHAL CAN DLE, all stand up.

Let now the heavenly troop of angels rejoice let these divine mysteries be joyfully celebrated: and let the heavenly trumpet publish the victory of our great King, and let the earth also triumph, being beautified with such resplendent beams; and let

it see the darkness which overspread the whok world chased away by the splendor of our Eternal King. Let our Mother the Church also rejoice, being adorned by the rays of so great a light; and let this temple echo with the joyful acclamations of all the people. And therefore I beseech you, dear brethren, who behold the wonderful brightness of this holy light, to join with me in invoking the mercy of Almighty God; that he who hath been pleased, without any merit on my side, to admit me into the number of his Levites, may by the effusion of light upon me, enable me to go through with the encomium of this taper. Through our Lord Jesus Christ his Son, who with him and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth one God world without end. R. Amen.

V. The Lord be with you. R. And with thy spirit. V. Raise up your hearts on high. R. We have them raised up to the Lord. V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. R. It is meet and just.

IT is truly meet and just to proclaim with all the affection of heart and soul, and sound of voice, the invisible God, the Father Almighty, and his only Son our Lord Jesus Christ: who paid for us to his eternal Father the debt of Adam; and, by his sacred blood, cancelled the guilt of the original offence. For this is the Paschal solemnity, in which the true Lamb was slain, by whose blood the doors of the faithful are consecrated. This is the night, in which thou formerly didst bring forth our forcefathers, the children of Israel, out of Egypt, leading them dry-foot through the Red-Sea. This also is that night which dissipated the darkness of sin by the light of a pillar of fire. This is the night, which, withdrawing all those who, through the whole world, believe in Christ, from the vices of the world, and the darkness of sin, restores them to grace, and

gives them a fellowship with the saints. This is the night in which Christ broke the chains of death, and ascended victorious from the grave. would have availed us nothing to have been born, unless we had also the advantage of being redeemed. O the wonders of thy mercy towards us! O the inestimable excess of thy love. Thou didst deliver up thy Son to redeem a slave! O truly necessary sin of Adam, which hath been blotted out by the death of Christ! O happy fault, which deserved such and so great a Redeemer! O truly blessed night, which alone wast privileged to know the hour and moment when Christ rose again from the dead! This is the night of which it is written: night shall be as light as day: and the night shineth upon me in my pleasures." The sacredness therefore of this night puts crimes to flight, washes away sin, and restores innocence to the fallen, and joy to those in sorrow. It banishes enmities, produces concord, and makes potentates bow.

Here the Deacon fixes the five Grains of Incense in the Candle in the form of a Cross, and then goes on:

RECEIVE, therefore, O Holy Father, on this sacred night, the evening sacrifice of this incense, which thy holy Church, by the hands of her ministers, presents to thee in the solemn oblation of this wax candle, made out of the labour of bees. But now we know the meaning of the encomiums of this taper lighted from this sparkling fire to the honour of God. (Here he lights the Paschas Candle.) Which fire, though now divided, suffers no loss from the communication of its light, whilst it feeds on the melted wax produced by the bee to make this taper. (Here the lamps are lighted.) O truly blessed night, which plundered the Egyptians, and enriched the Hebrews! O night, in which heaven is united to earth, and God to man! We beseech thee, there fore, O Lord, that this taper, consecrated to the

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honour of thy name, may continue burning to dissi pate the darkness of this night; and being accepted by thee as a sweet odour, it may be joined to the lights of heaven. Let the morning star find it burning: that morning star, I mean, which never sets; who, returning from the grave, darted forth his benign rays upon mankind. We beseech thee, therefore, O Lord, to grant us peace during this Paschal soleinnity, and with thine uninterrupted protection to rule, govern, and preserve us thy servants, and all the clergy and devout laity; together with our holy father Pope N. and our Bishop N. Look down also on our pious King N. and since thou knowest O God, the desires of his heart, grant, by the ineffable grace of thy goodness and mercy, that he may enjoy with all his people, an uninterrupted peace and heavenly victory. Thro'. R. Amen.

Then are read the Lessons called Prophecies for the Instruction of the Catechumens.

I. PROPHECY. Gen. i. ii.—In the beginning God created heaven and earth. And the earth was void and empty, and darkness was upon the face of the deep; and the Spirit of God moved over the waters. And God said: be light made. And light was made. And God saw the light that it was good: and he divided the light from the darkness. And he called the light day, and the darkness night; and there was evening and morning one day. And God said: Let there be a firmament made amidst the waters: and let it divide the waters from the And God made a firmament, and divided the waters that were under the firmament from those that were above the firmament. And it was so. And God called the firmament, Heaven: and the evening and morning were the second day. also said: Let the waters that are under the heaven he gathered together into on? place: and let the dry land appear. And it was so done. And God

called the dry land Earth: and the gathering together of the waters, he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. And he said: let the earth bring forth the green herb, and such as may seed, and the fruit tree vielding fruit after its kind, which may have seed in itself upon the earth. And it was so And the earth brought forth the green herb, and such as yieldeth seed according to its kind, and the tree that beareth fruit, having seed each one according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. And the evening and the morning were the third day. And God said: Let there be lights made in the firmament of heaven, to divide the day and the night, and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days and years; to shine in the firmament of heaven, and to give light upon the earth. it was so done. And God made two great lights; a greater light to rule the day, and a lesser light to rule the night; and stars. And he set them in the firmament of heaven, to shine upon the earth. to rule the day and the night, and to divide the light and the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And the evening and morning were the fourth day. God also said: Let the waters bring forth the creeping creature having life, and the fowl that may fly over the earth under the firmament of heaven. And God created the great whales, and every living and moving creature, which the waters brought forth, according to their kinds, and every winged fowl according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. And he blessed them, saying; Increase and multiply, and fill the waters of the sea; and let the birds be multiplied upon the earth. And the evening and morning were the fifth day And God said: Let the earth bring forth the living creature in its kind, cattle, and creeping things, and beasts of the earth according to their kinds; and it was so done. And God made the beasts of the

earth according to their kinds, and cattle, and every thing that creepeth on the earth after its kind. And God saw that it was good. And he said: Let us make man to our image and likeness, and let him have dominion over the fishes of the sea, and the fowls of the air, and the beasts, and the whole earth, and every creeping creature that moveth upon the earth. And God created man to his own image: to the image of God he created him: male and female he created them. And God blessed them, saying: Increase and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it, and rule over the fishes of the sea, and the fowls of the air, and all living creatures that move upon the earth. And God said: Behold I have given you every herb bearing seed upon the earth. and all trees that have in themselves seed of their own kind, to be your meat: and to all beasts of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to all that move upon the earth, and wherein there is life, that you may have to feed upon. And it was so done. And God saw all the things that he had made, and they were very good. And the evening and morning were the sixth day. (Chap ii.) So the heavens and earth were finished, and all the furniture of them. And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made: and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had done.

Pr. Let us pray. Deac. Let us kneel down. Subd. Stand up again.

PRAYER. Deus, qui.—O God, who didst wonderfully create man, and redeem him by a still greater wonder: grant us, we beseech thee, such strength of mind and reason against all the allurements of sin, that we may deserve to obtain eternal joys. Thro. R. Amen.

II. PROPHECY. Gen. v. 31. vi. vii. viii. 18.—And Noe, when he was five hundred years old, begot Sem, Cham, and Japheth. (Chap. vi.) And

after that men began to be multiplied upon the earth, and daughters were born to them. The sons of God seeing the daughters of men, that they were fair, took to themselves wives of all, which they And God said: My spirit shall not remain in man forever, because he is flesh: and his days shall be one hundred and twenty years. Now giants were upon the earth in those days. For after the sons of God went into the daughters of men, and they brought forth children, these are the mighty men of old, men of renown. And God seeing that the wickedness of men was great on the earth, and that all the thought of their heart was bent upon evil at all times, it repented him that he had made man on the earth. And being touched inwardly with sorrow of heart, he said: I will destroy man, whom I have created, from the face of the earth, from man even to beasts, from the creeping thing even to the fowls of the air, for it repenteth me that I have made them. But Noe found grace before the Lord. These are the generations of Noe: Noe was a just and perfect man in his generation, he walked with God. And he begot three sons, Sem, Cham, and Japheth. And the earth was corrupted before God, and was filled with iniquity. And when God had seen that the earth was corrupted (for all flesh had corrupted its way upon the earth) he said to Noe: the end of all flesh is come before me, and the earth is filled with iniquity through them, and I will destroy them with the earth. Make thee an ark of timber planks: thou shalt make little rooms in the ark, and thou shalt pitch it within and without. And thus shalt thou make it. The length of the ark shall be three hundred cubits: the breadth of it fifty cubits, and the height of it thirty cubits. Thou shalt make a window in the ark, and in a cubit shalt thou finish the top of it: and the door of the ark shalt thou set in the side: with lower,

middle chambers, and third stories shalt thou make Behold I will bring the waters of a great flood upon the earth, to destroy all flesh, wherein is the breath of life, under heaven. All things that are in the earth shall be consumed. And I will establish my covenant with thee: And thou shalt enter into the ark, thou and thy sons, and thy wife, and the wives of thy sons with thee. And of every living creature of all flesh, thou shalt bring two of a sort into the ark, that they may live with thee; of the male sex, and the female. Of fowls according to their kind, and of beasts in their kind, and of every thing that creepeth on the earth according to its kind: two of every sort shall go in with thee, that they may live. Thou shalt take unto thee of all food, that may be eaten, and thou shalt lay it up with thee: and it shall be food for thee and them. And Noe did all things which God commanded him (Chap. vii.) And he was six hundred years old, when the waters of the flood overflowed the earth. All the fountains of the great deep were broken up, and the flood-gates of heaven were opened. And the rain fell upon the earth forty days and forty nights. In the self-same day Noe, and Sem, and Chain, and Japheth, his sons: his wife, and the three wives of his sons with them, went into the ark: they and every beast according to its kind, and all the cattle in their kind, and every thing that moveth upon the earth according to its kind, and every fowl according to its kind, all birds, and all that fly And the ark was carried upon the waters. And the waters prevailed beyond measure upon the earth: and all the high mountains under the whole heaven was covered. The water was fifteen cubits higher than the mountains, which it covered. And all flesh was destroyed that moved upon the earth, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of beasts, and of all creeping things that creep upon the earth: and Noe only

remained, and they that were with him in the ark. And the waters prevailed upon the earth a hundred and fifty days. (Chap. viii.) And God remember-ed Noe, and all the living creatures, and all the cattle which were with him in the ark, and brought a wind upon the earth, and the waters were abated. The fountains also of the deep, and the flood-gates of heaven were shut up, and the rain from heaven was restrained. And the waters returned from off the earth, going and coming: and they began to be abated after a hundred and fifty days. And after that forty days were passed, Noe opening the window of the ark which he had made, sent forth a raven; which went forth, and did not return till the waters were dried upon the earth. He sent forth also a dove after him, to see if the waters had now ceased upon the face of the earth. But she not finding where her foot might rest, returned to him into the ark: for the waters were upon the whole earth: and he put forth his hand, and caught her, and brought her into the ark. And having waited yet seven other days, he again sent forth the dove out of the ark. And she came to him in the evening. carrying a bough of an olive-tree, with green leaves, in her mouth. Noe therefore understood that the waters were ceased upon the earth. And he stayed yet other seven days; and he sent forth the dove, which returned not any more unto him. And God spoke to Noe, saying: Go out of the ark, thou and thy wife, thy sons, and the wives of thy sons with thee. All living things that are with thee of all flesh, as well in fowls, as in beasts, and all creeping things that creep upon the earth, bring out with thee, and go ye upon the earth: increase and multiply upon it. So Noe went out, he and his sons, his wife, and the wives of his sons with him: and all living thags, and cattle, and creeping things that creep upor the earth, according to their kinds, went out of the ark. And Noe built an altar unto the Lord: and taking of all cattle and fowls that were clean, offered holocausts upon the altar. And the Lord smelled a sweet sayour.

Pr. Let us pray. Deac. Let us kneel down. Subd. Stand up again.

I'RAYER. Deus incommutabilis.—O God, whose power is unchangeable, and whose light never faileth, mercifully regard the wonderful sacrament of thy whole Church, and by an effect of thy perpetual providence, accomplish in peace the work of human salvation: and let the whole world experience and see, that what was now fallen, is raised up again: what was old, is become new; and that all things are again settled by him who gave them their first being, our Lord Jesus Christ thy Son. Who liveth. R. Amen.

III. PROPHECY. Gen. xxii.-In those days: God tempted Abraham, and said to him: Abraham, Abraham. And he answered: Here I am. He said to him: Take thy only begotten Son Isaac, whom thou lovest, and go into the land of vision: and there thou shalt offer him for an holocaust upon one of the mountains which I will show thee. So Abraham rising up in the night, saddled his ass; and took with him two young men, and Isaac his son; and when he had cut wood for the holocaust, he went his way to the place which God had commanded him. on the third day, lifting up his eyes, he saw the place afar off. And he said to his young men: Stay you here with the ass: I and the boy will go with speed as far as yonder, and after we have worshipped, will return to you. And he took the wood for the holocaust, and laid it upon Isaac his son; and he himself carried in his hands fire and a sword. And as they two went on together, Isaac said to his father: My father. And he answered: What wilt thou, son: Behold, saith he, fire and wood

where is the victim for the holocaust? And Abraham said: God will provide himself a victim for a holocaust, my son. So they went on together: and they came to the place which God had shewed him, where he built an altar, and laid the wood in order upon it: and when he had bound Isaac, his son, he laid him on the altar upon the pile of wood. And he put forth his hand, and took the sword to sacrifice his son. And behold an angel of the Lord from heaven called to him, saying: Abraham, Abraham. And he answered: Here I am. And he said to him: Lay not thy hand upon the boy, neither do thou any thing to him: now I know that thou fearest God, and hast not spared thy only begotten son for my sake. Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw behind his back a ram amongst the briers, sticking fast by the horns, which he took and offered for a holocaust instead of his son. he called the name of that place, The Lord seem. Whereupon, even to this day, it is said: In the mountain the Lord will see. And the angel of the Lord called to Abraham a second time from heaven, saying: By my own self have I sworn, saith the Lord: because thou hast done this thing, and hast not spared thy only begotten son for my sake: I will bless thee, and I will multiply thy seed as the stars of heaven, and as the sand that is by the sea shore: thy seed shall possess the gates of their enemies. And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because thou hast obeyed my voice. Abraham returned to his young men, and they went to Bersabee together, and he dwelt there.

Pr. Let us pray. Deac. Let us kneel down. Subd. Stand up again.

PRAYER. Deus, fidelium. O God, the sovereign Father of the faithful, who throughout the whole world multipliest the children of the promise by the grace of thy adoption and makest thy servant Abra-

ham, according to thy oath, the father of all nations by this paschal sacrament; grant that thy people may worthily receive the grace of thy vocation. Thro'. R. Amen.

IV. PROPHECY. Exod. xiv. 24 .- In those days : It came to pass in the morning watch, and behold the Lord looking upon the Egyptian army through the pillar of fire, and of the cloud, slew their host: and overthrew the wheels of the chariots, and they were carried into the deep. And the Egyptians said: Let us flee from Israel: for the Lord fighteth for them against us. And the Lord said to Moses: Stretch forth thine hand over the sea, that the waters may come again upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and horsemen. And when Moses had stretched forth his hand towards the sea. it returned at the first break of day to the former place: and as the Egyptians were fleeing away, the waters came upon them, and the Lord shut them up in the middle of the waves. And the waves returned, and covered the chariots and the horsemen of all the army of Pharao, who had come into the sea after them, neither did there so much as one of them remain. But the children of Israel marched through the midst of the sea upon dry land and the waters were to them as a wall on the right hand and on the left: and the Lord delivered Israel in that day out of the hands of the Egyptians. And they saw the Egyptians dead upon the sea-shore, and the mighty hand that the Lord had used against them: and the people feared the Lord, and they believed the Lord, and Moses his servant. Then Moses and the children of Israel sung this canticle to the Lord, and said:

TRACT. Exod. xv. Let us sing to the Lord: for he is gloriously magnified; the horse and the rider ne hath thrown into the sea. He hath been my help and my protector and Saviour. V. He is my God.

and I will glorify him; the God of my father, and I will exalt him. V. He is the Lord that destroyeth wars: his name is the Lord.

Pr. Let us pray. Deac. Let us kneel down. Subd. Stand up again.

PRAYER. Deus cujus.—O God, whose ancient miracles we see renewed in our days: whilst, by the water of regeneration, thou performest, for the salvation of the Gentiles, that which by the power of thy right hand thou didst for the deliverance of one people from the Egyptian persecution; grant that all the nations of the world may become the children of Abraham, and partake of the dignity of the people of Israel. Thro'. R. Amen.

V. PROPHECY. Is. liv. lv.—This is the inheritance of the servants of the Lord, and their justice with me, saith the Lord. All you that thirst come to the water: and you that have no money, make haste, buy, and eat: come ye, buy wine and milk without money, and without any price. Why do you spend money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which doth not satisfy you? Hearken diligently to me, and eat that which is good, and your soul shall be delighted in fatness. Incline your ear, and come to me: hear, and your soul shall live, and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, the faithful mercies of David. Behold I have given him for a witness to the people, for a leader and a master to the Gentiles. Behold thou shalt call a nation, which thou knewest not: and the nations that knew not thee shall run to thee, because of the Lord thy God, and for the Holy One of Israel, for he hath glorified thee. Seek ye the Lord while he may be found: call upon him while he is near. Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unjust man his thoughts, and let him return to the Lord, and he will have mercy on him, and to our God: for he is bountiful to forgive. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor your ways my ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are exalted above the earth, so are my ways exalted above your ways, and my thoughts above your thoughts. And as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and return no more thither, but soak the earth, and water it, and make it to spring, and give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: so shall my word be, which shall go forth from my mouth: it shall not return to me void, but it shall do whatever I please, and shall prosper in the things for which I sent it, saith the Lord Almighty.

Pr. Let us pray. Deac. Let us kneel down. Subd. Stand up again.

PRAYER. Omnipotens.—O almighty and eternal God, multiply, for the honour of thy name, what thou didst promise to the faith of our fore-fathers: and increase, by thy sacred adoption, the children of that promise: and what the ancient saints doubted not would come to pass, thy church may now find in great part accomplished. Thro'. R. Amen.

VI. PROPHECY. Baruch iii. 9.—Hear, O Israel, the commandments of life: give ear, that thou mayest learn wisdom. How happeneth it, O Israel, that thou art in thy enemies' land? Thou art grown old in a strange country, thou art defiled with the dead: thou art counted with them that go down into hell. Thou hast forsaken the fountain of wisdom: for if thou hadst walked in the way of God, thou surely hadst dwelt in peace for ever. Learn where is wisdom, where is strength, where is understanding: that thou mayest know also where is tength of days and life, where is the light of the eyes, and peace. Who hath found out her place and who hath gone in to her treasures? Where are

tne princes of the nations, and they that rule over the beasts that are upon the earth? That take their pastime with the birds of the air, that hoard up silver and gold, wherein men trust, and there is no end of their getting? who work in silver and are solicitous, and their works are unsearchable? They are cut off, and are gone down to hell, and others are risen up in their place. Young men have seen the light, and dwelt upon the earth: but the way of knowledge they have not known, nor have they understood the paths thereof, neither have their children received it, it is far from their face. It hath not been heard of in the land of Chanaan, neither had it been seen in Theman. The children of Agar also, that search after wisdom, that is of the earth, the merchants of Merrha, and of Theman, and the tellers of fables, and searchers of prudence and understanding: but the way of wisdom they have not known, neither have they remembered her paths. O Israel, how great is the house of God, and how vast is the place of his possession! It is great and hath no end: it is high and immense, There were the giants, those renowned men that were from the beginning, of great stature, expert in war. The Lord chose not them, neither did they find the way of knowledge: therefore did they perish, And because they had not wisdom, they perisned .hrough their folly. Who hath gone up into heaven, and taken her, and brought her down from the clouds? Who hath passed over the sea, and found her, and brought her preferably to chosen gold? There is none that is able to know her ways, nor that can search out her paths: But he that knoweth all things, knoweth her, and hath found her out with his understanding: he that prepared the earth forevermore, and filled it with cattle and four-footed beasts: he that sendeth forth light, and it goeth; and hath called it, and it obeyed him with trembling.

And the stars have given light in their watches, and rejoiced: they were called, and they said: Here we are: and with cheerfulness they have shined forth to him that made them. This is our God, and there shall no other be accounted of in comparison of him. He found out all the ways of knowledge, and gave it to Jacob his servant, and to Israel his beloved. Afterwards he was seen upon earth, and conversed with men.

Pr. Let us pray. Deac. Let us kneel down.

Subd. Stand up again.

PRAYER. Deus, qui.—O God, who continually multipliest thy church by the vocation of the Gentiles: mercifully grant thy perpetual protection to those whom thou washest with the water of baptism.

Thro'. R. Amen.

VII. PROPHECY. Ezech. xxxvii.—In those days: The hand of the Lord was upon me, and brought me forth in the spirit of the Lord: and set me down in the midst of a plain that was full of bones. And he led me about through them on every side: now they were very many upon the face of the plain, and they were exceeding dry. And he said to me: Son of man, dost thou think these bones shall live? And I answered: O Lord God, thou knowest. he said to me: Prophesy concerning these bones: and say to them: Ye dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus saith the Lord God to these bones: Behold, I will send spirit into you, and you shall live, and I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to grow over you, and will cover you with skin: and I will give you spirit, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the Lord. And I prophesied as he had commanded me: and as I prophesied there was a noise, and behold a commotion: and the bones came together, each one to its joint. And I saw, and behold the sinews and the flesh came up upon them: and the skin was stretched

out over them, but there was no spirit in them And he said to me: Prophesy to the spirit, prophesy, O Son of man, and say to the spirit: Thus saith the Lord God: Come, spirit, from the four winds, and blow upon these slain, and let them live again. And I prophesied as he had commanded me: and the spirit came into them, and they lived; and they stood upon their feet, an exceeding great army.— And he said to me: Son of man, all these bones are the house of Israel: they say: Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost, and we are cut off. Therefore prophesy, and say to them . Thus saith the Lord God: Behold, I will open your graves, and will bring you out of your sepulchres, O my people; and will bring you into the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I shall have opened your sepulchres, and shall have brought you out of your graves, O my people, and shall have put my spirit in you, and you shall live, and I shall make you rest upon your own land, saith the Lord Almighty.

Pr. Let us pray. Deac. Let us kneel down.

Subd. Stand up again.

PRAYER. Deus, qui nos.—Ö God, who by the scriptures of both testaments teachest us to celebrate the Paschal sacrament: give us such a sense of thy mercy, that, by receiving thy present favours, we may have a firm hope of thy future blessings. Thro'. R. Amen.

VIII. PROPHECY. Is. iv.—In that day seven women shall take hold of one man, saying: We will eat our own bread, and wear our own apparel: only let us be called by thy name, take away our reproach. In that day the bud of the Lord shall be in magnificence and glory, and the fruit of the earth shall be high, and a great joy to them that have escaped of Israel. And it shall come to pass, that every one that shall be left in Sion, and that shall reduced the shall

main in Jerusalem, shall be called holy, every one that is written in life in Jerusalem. If the Lord shall wash away the filth of the daughters of Sion. and shall wash away the blood of Jerusalem out of the midst thereof, by the spirit of judgment, and by the spirit of burning. And the Lord will create upon every place of mount Sion, and where he is. called upon, a cloud by day, and a smoke and the brightness of a flaming fire in the night: for over all the glory shall be a protection. And there shall be a tabernacle for a shade in the day time from the heat, and for a security, and covert from the whirlwind, and from rain.

TRACT. Is. v.-My beloved had a vineyard on a hill in a fruitful place. V. He fenced it in, and digged it about, and planted it with the choicest vines, and built a tower in the midst thereof. V. And set up a wine press therein, for the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel.

Pr. Let us pray. Deac. Let us kneel down. Subd. Stand up again.

PRAYER. Deus, qui.—O God, who by the mouths of the holy prophets hast declared, that through the whole extent of thy empire it is thou that sowest the good seed, and improvest the choicest branches that are found in all the children of thy church: grant to thy people, who are called by the names of vineyards and corn, that they may root out all thorns and briers, and bring forth good fruit in plenty. Thro'. R. Amen.

IX. PROPHECY. Exod. xi.—In those days. The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, &c. as in the II. Lesson of the Mass of the presanctified, p. 281

Pr. Let us pray. Deac. Let us kneel down. Subd. Stand up again.

PRAYER. Omnipotens.—O Almighty and Eternal God, who art wonderful in the performance of all thy works; let thy servants whom thou hast redeemed, understand, that the creation of the world in the beginning was not a more excellent work, than the sacrificing of Christ our passover at the end of the world. Who with thee, &c. R. Amen.

X. PROPHECY. Jonas iii.—In those days: The word of the Lord came to Jonas, &c. as in the Les-

son on Monday in Passion Week. p. 212.

Pr. Let us pray. Deac. Let us kneel down. Subd. Stand up again.

PRAYER. Deus, qui.—O God, who has united the several nations of the Gentiles in the profession of thy name: give us both a will and a power to obey thy commands: that all thy people, who are called to eternity, may have the same faith in their minds, and piety in their actions. Thro'. R. Amer.

XI. PROPHECY. Deut. xxxi. 22.—In those days: Moses wrote a canticle, and taught it the children of Israel. And the Lord commanded Josue, the son of Nun, and said: 'Take courage, and be valiant: for thou shalt bring the children of Israel into the land, which I have promised, and I will be with thee. Therefore after Moses had wrote the words of this law in a volume, and finished it: he commanded the Levites, who carried the ark of the covenant of the Lord, saving: Take this book and out it in the side of the ark of the covenant of the Lord your God: that it may be there for a testimony against thee. For I know thy obstinacy, and thy most stiff neck. While I am yet living, and going in with you, you have always been rebellious against the Lord: how much more when I shall be dead? Gather unto me all the ancients of your tribes, and your doctors, and I will speak these words in their hearing, and will call heaven and earth to witness against them. For I know that, after my leath, you will do wickedly, and will

quickly turn aside from the way that I have commanded you: and evils shall come upon you in the latter times, when you shall do evil in the sight of the Lord, to provoke him by the works of your hands. Moses therefore spoke, in the hearing of the whole assembly of Israel, the words of this canticle, and finished it even to the end.

TRACT. Deut. xxxii.—Hear, O ye heavens, and I will speak: let the earth give ear to the words of my mouth. V. Let what I say be looked for like rain: and let my words drop down like dew. V. Like the shower upon the grass, and the snow upon the dry herb: for I will call upon the name of the Lord V. Publish the greatness of our God: he is God; his works are perfect, and all his ways are justice. V. God is faithful, in whom there is no iniquity: the Lord is just and holy.

Pr. Let us pray. Deac. Let us kneel down. Subd. Stand up again.

PRAYER. Deus celsitudo.—O God, who, raisest the humble, and givest strength to the righteous: and who by thy holy servant Moses, wast pleased so to instruct thy people by the singing of the sacred canticle, that the repetition of the law might be also our direction: shew thy power to all the multitude of Gentiles justified by thee, and, by mitigating thy terrors, grant them joy: that all their sins being pardoned by thee, the threatened vengeance may contribute to their salvation. Thro'. R. Amen.

XII. PROPHECY. Dan. iii.—In those days: King Nabuchodonosor made a statue of gold, of sixty cubits high, and six cubits broad, and he set it up in the plain of Dura, in the province of Babylon. Then Nabuchodonosor the king sent to call together the nobles, the magistrates, and the judges, the captains, the rulers, and governors, and all the chief men of the provinces, to come to the dedica-

tion of the statue which king Nabuchodonosor had set up. Then the nobles, the magistrates, and the judges, the captains, and rulers, and the great men that were placed in authority, and all the princes of the provinces, were gathered together to come to the dedication of the statue which king Nabuchodonosor had set up. And they stood before the . statue which king Nabuchodonosor had set up.-Then a herald cried with a strong voice: To you it is commanded, O nations, tribes, and languages: that in the hour that you shall hear the sound of the trumpet, and of the flute, and of the harp, of the sackbut, and of the psaltery, and of the symphony. and of all kind of music; ye fall down and adore the golden statue which king Nabuchodonosor hath set up. But if any man should not fall down and adore. he shall the same hour be cast into a furnace of burning fire. Upon this, therefore, at the time when all the people heard the sound of the trumpet, the flute and the harp, of the sackbut, and the psaltery, of the symphony, and of all kind of music; all the nations, tribes and languages, fell down and adored the golden statue, which king Nabuchodonosor had set up. And presently, at that very time some Chaldeans came and accused the Jews: and said to king Nabuchodonosor: O king, live Thou, O king, hast made a decree, that every man that shall hear the sound of the trumpet. the flute, and the harp, of the sackbut, and the psaltery, of the symphony, and of all kind of music, shall prostrate himself, and adore the golden statue: and that if any man shall not fall down and adore, he should be cast into a furnace of burning fire. Now there are certain Jews, whom thou hast set over the works of the province of Babylon, Sidrach, Misach, and Abednago: these men, O king, have slighted thy decree: they worship not thy gods nor do fhey adore the golden statue which thou hast set up

Then Nabuchodonosor, in fury, and in wrata, com manded that Sidrach, Misach, and Abednago, should he brought; who immediately were brought before the king. And Nabuchodonosor the king spoke to them, and said: Is it true, O Sidrach, Misach, and Abednago, that you do not worship my gods, nor adore the golden statue that I have set up? Now therefore if you be ready, at what hour soever you shall hear the sound of the trumpet, flute, harp, sackbut, and psaltery, and symphony, and of all kind of music, prostrate yourselves, and adore the statue which I have made: but if you do not adore, you shall be cast in the same hour into the furnace of burning fire: and who is the God that shall deliver you out of my hand? Sidrach, Misach, and Abedpage answered and said to king Nabuchodonosor: We have no occasion to answer thee concerning this matter. For behold our God, whom we worship, is able to save us from the furnace of burning fire, and to deliver us out of thy hands, O king. But if he will not, be it known to thee, O king, that we will not worship thy gods, nor adore the golden statue which thou hast set up. Then was Nabuchodonosor filled with fury: and the countenance of his face was changed against Sidrach, Misach, and Abednago, and he commanded that the furnace should be heated seven times more than it had been accustomed to be heated. And he commanded the strongest men that were in his army, to bind the feet of Sidrach, Misach, and Abednago, and to cast them into the furnace of burning fire. And immediately these men were bound and were cast into the furnace of burning fire, with their coats and their caps, and their shoes, and their garments. For the king's commandment was urgent, and the furnace was heated exceedingly. And the flame of the fire slew those men that had cast in Sidrach, Misach, and Abednago. But these three men, that is, Sidrach, Misach, and Abednago, fell down bound in the midst of the furnace of burning fire. And they walked in the midst of the flame praising God, and blessing the Lord.

Let us pray. Omnipotens.

Almighty and eternal God, the only hope of the world, who, by the voice of thy prophets, has manifested the mysteries of this present time: graciously increase the desires of thy people; since none of the faithful can advance in any virtue without thy inspiration. Thro'. R. Amen.

The BLESSING of the FONT.

When the Celebrant goes towards the Font, is said the TRACT. As the hart panteth after the fountains of water; so my soul panteth after thee, O God. V. My soul hath thirsted after the living God: when shall I come and appear before the face of God? V. My tears have been my bread day and night, while they say to me every day: Where is now thy God?

The Lord be with you. R. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray. Concede.

GRANT, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we, who celebrate the gift of the Holy Ghost, may, by the inspiration of heaven, earnestly thirst after the fountain of life. Thro'... in unity of the same.

When the Priest comes to the Font.

The Lord be with you. R. And with thy spirit.

Almighty and eternal God, be present at these mysteries, be present at these sacraments of thy great goodness: and send forth the spirit of thy adoption to regenerate the new people, whom the font of baptism bringeth forth: that what is to be done by the ministry of us thy servants, may be accomplished by the effect of thy power. Thro' R. Amen.

V. The Lord be with you. R. And with this

spirit. V. Raise up your hearts on high. R. We have them raised up to the Lord. V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. R. It is meet and just. IT is truly meet and just, right and available to salvation, to give thee thanks always, and in all places, O holy Lord, almighty Father, and eternal God: who, by thy invisible power, dost wonderfully produce the effects of thy sacraments: and, though we are unworthy to administer such great mysteries, yet, as thou dost not abandon the gifts of thy grace, so thou inclinest the ears of thy goodness even to our prayers. O God, whose spirit in the very beginning of the world moved upon the waters; that even then the nature of water might receive the virtue of sanctification: O God, who by water didst wash away the crimes of a guilty world, and by the overflowing of the deluge didst give us a figure of regeneration; that one and the same element might, in a mystery, be the end of vice, and the origin of virtue: look down, O Lord, on thy Church, and multiply in her thy regenerations, who by the streams of thy abundant grace, fillest thy city with joy, and openest the fonts of baptism all over the world for the renewal of the Gentiles; that by the command of thy majesty it may receive the grace of thy Son from the Holy Ghost.

Here the Priest divides the Water in the form of a

Who, by a secret mixture of his divine virtue, may render this water fruitful for the regeneration of men: to the end that those, who are to be sanctified in the immaculate womb of this divine font, and are to be born again new creatures, may come forth a heavenly offspring; and that all, however, distinguished by age in time, or sex in body, may be brought forth to the same infancy by grace, their spiritual mother. Therefore may all unclean spirits, by they command, O Lord, depart from hence

may all the malice of diabolical wiles be entirely banished; may no power of the enemy prevail here let him not fly about to lay his snares: let him not corrupt with his infection.

Here he touches the Water with his Hand.

May this holy and innocent creature be free from all assaults of the enemy, and purified by the destruction of all his malice. May it become a living fountain, a regenerating water, a purifying stream: that all those, that are to be washed in this saving bath, may obtain, by the efficacy of the Holy Ghost, the grace of a perfect purification.

Here he makes the Sign of the Cross thrice over the

Font, saying:

Wherefore I bless thee, O creature of water, by the living & God, by the true & God, by the holy & God; by that God, who in the beginning separated thee by his word from the dry land, and whose spirit moved upon thee.

[Here he divides the Water with his Hand, and throves some of it out towards the four quarters of the World.]

Who made thee flow from the fountain of paradise, and commanded thee to water the whole earth with thy four rivers. Who changing thy bitterness in the desert into sweetness, made thee fit to drink; and produced thee out of a rock to quench the thirst of the people. I - bless thee also by our Lord Jesus Christ, his only Son: who, in Cana of Galilee, changed thee into wine, by a wonderful miracle of his power. Who walked upon thee dry-foot, and was baptized in thee by John in the Jordan. Who made thee flow out of his side, together with his blood, and commanded his disciples that such as believed should be baptized in thee, saying: Go, teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

Do thou, O Almighty God, mercifully assist us who observe this commandment: do thou graciously inspire us.

Here breathing thrice upon the Water in Form of a

Cross, he says:

Do thou with thy mouth bless these clear waters; that besides their natural virtue of cleansing the body, they may also prove effectual for purifying the soul.

Then he sinks the Paschal Candle into the Water three different times, saying each time:

May the virtue of the Holy Ghost descend into all

the water of this font.

Then breathing thrice on the Water, he goes on,

And make the whole substance of this water fruitful, and capable of bringing to a new life.

Here the Paschal Candle is taken out of the Water,

and the Priest goes on,

Here may the stains of all sin be washed out: here may human nature, created to thy image, and reformed to the honour of its author, be cleansed from the filth of the old man: that all who receive this sacrament of regeneration, may be born again new children of true innocence. Thro—who is to come to judge the living and the dead, and the word by fire. R. Amen.

Here the People are sprinkled with the blessed Water, and some is taken away by the Ministers, to distribute to the people for use in their houses, afterwards the Oil of the Catechumens is poured in, in the Form

of a Cross, the Priest saying:

May this font be sanctified and made fruitful by the oil of salvation for such as are to be born anew in it, unto life everlasting. R. Amen.

Then he pours the Chrism into it, saying :

May this infusion of the chrism of our Lord Jesus Christ, and of the Holy Ghost the Comforter, be performed in the name of the Holy Trinity. R. Amer.

Lastly, he pours the Oil and Chrism into the Water in the Form of a Cross, saying:

May this mixture of the chrism of sanctification, and of the oil of salvation, and of the water of baptism, be performed in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. R. Amen.

After Blessing the Font, the Priest, with his Ministers, lies prostrate before the altar, and all the rest kneel whilst the Litany [see Rogation Days 359.] is sung by two Chanters in the middle of the Choir, repeating the same words after them, to Christe exaudi nos inclusively. Kyrie and Christe eleison being alternately sung three times, the Priest with his Ministers in their proper vestments, begins Mass saving the Ps. Judica, &c. p. xv. but no Introit. At intoning the Gloria in excelsis the ringing of the bells is resumed and continued till it is finished.

COLLECT. Deus .- O God, who enlightenest this most sacred night by the glory of the resurrection of the Lord; preserve in the new offspring of thy family the spirit of adoption thou hast given them; that being renewed in body and soul, they may serve thee with purity of heart. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Colos. iii. 1. 4.—Brethren: If you be risen with Christ, seek the things that are above; where Christ is sitting at the right hand of God: mind the things that are above, not the things that are upon the earth. For you are dead; and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ shall appear, who is your life; then you also shall appear with him in glory. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

- V. Praise the Lord, for V. Confitemini Domihe is good: for his mercy no, quoniam bonus: quoendureth for ever.
 - niam in sæculum misericordia ejus.
- TRACT. Ps. cxvi.—Praise the Lord all ye nations; join in his praise, all ye people. V. For Ee2

his mercy is confirmed upon us; and the truth of

the Lord remaineth for ever.

GOSPEL. Matt. xxxviii. 1. 7.-In the end of the Sabbath, when it began to dawn towards the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalen and the other Mary to the sepulchre. And behold there was a great earthquake. For an angel of the Lord descended from heaven; and coming, rolled back the stone, and sat upon it: and his countenance was as lightning, and his raiment as snow. And for fear of him, the guards were struck with terror, and became as dead men. And the angel answering, said to the women; fear not you; for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he is risen as he said: Come, and see the place where the Lord was laid. And going quickly, tell ye his disciples that he is risen: and behold he will go before you into Galilee: there you shall see him. Lo I have foretold it to you.

The Offertory is omitted; but Oblations of the Host and Chalice are made, as in the Ordinary, p xxiii.

SECRET. Receive, O Lord, we beseech thee, the prayers of thy people, together with the offering of these Hosts, that what is consecrated by these paschal mysteries, may, by the help of thy grace, avail us to eternal life. Thro.

For the Communicantes and Hanc igitur, see p. 331. the rest as in the Ordinary. Neither Aguus Dei Comm, nor P. Comm. are said, but as soon as the Priest has taken the last Ablution, are begun the VESPERS.

VESPERS.

Anth . Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Ps. cxvi.

PRAISE the Lord, all ye nations; * praise him all ye people.

For his mercy is confirmed upon us; * and L AUDATE Dominum, omnes gentes; * laudate eum omnes populi.

Quoniam confirmata est super no misericorthe truth of the Lord remaineth for ever. Glory, &c.

dia ejus; *et veritas Domini manet in æternum. Gloria, &c.

ANTH. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.
Anthem at the Magnificat.

In the evening of the Sabbath which dawns on the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalen, and another Mary, to see the sepulchre. Allel.

Vespere autem Sabbati quæ lucescit in prima Sabbati, venit Maria Magdalene, et altera Maria, videre sepulchrum. Alleluia.

At the Magnificat [see p. 279.] the altar is fumed with incense as usual.

PRAYER. Spiritum.—Pour forth on us, O Lord, the spirit of thy love; and those whom thou hast filled with the paschal sacrament, may, by thy goodness live in perfect concord. Thro'.

Then all concludes as at Mass, except that Alleluia, 'Alleluia, is added to Ite, missa est, and Deo gratias: and these Alleluias are continued till Low Sunder.

Sunday.

EASTER SUNDAY.

A LTHOUGH times and seasons in general subsist not but by the order, and for the glory of God, yet the Church, when she speaks of the festival of the Resurrection, calls it in every part of the Divine Office, (by way of pre-eminence) the day the Lord hath made. All the days of the mortal life of Jesus, previous to that of his Resurrection, were, according to St. Paul, the days of his humiliation, whereas this is properly called the day of his glory; since it was by his resurrection that the broad seal of heaven was affixed to his doctrine,—his other miracles confirmed,—his mission proved,—and all his labours crowned. Hence arises the Church's jey on this, the greatest of her festivuls.

INTROIT. Ps. exxxviii.

HAVE risen, and am RESURREXI et adhuc tecum sum, Alleluia

thou hast stretched forth thy hand to me Allel.: thy knowledge is become wonderful, Allel. Allel.

Ps. Lord, thou hast tried me, and known me: thou hast known my sitting down and my uprising. V. Glory.

posuisti super me manum tuam, Alleluia: mirabilis facta est scientia tua, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Ps. Domine, probasts me, et cognovisti me: tu cognovisti sessionem meam et resurrectionem meam.

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who, on this day, by thy only begotten Son's victory over death, didst open for us a passage to eternity; grant that our prayers, which thy preventing grace inspireth, may by thy help become effectual. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 1 Cor. v. 7. 8.—Brethren: Purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new paste, as you are unleavened. For Christ, our pasch, is sacrificed. Therefore let us feast, not with the old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

GRAD. Ps. cxvii.—This is the day the Lord hath made: come let us exult and rejoice thereon. V. Praise the Lord, for he is good: and his mercy endureth for ever: Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Christ himself is become our paschal sacrifice. Alleluia.

The PROSE.

VICTIMÆ Paschali laudes immolent Christiani:

Agnus redemit oves: Christus innocens Patri reconciliavit peccatores.

Mors et vita duello: conflixere mirando: dux vitæ mortuus, regnat vivus.

Dic nobis, Maria, quid vidisti in via?

Sepulchrum Christi viventis, et gloriam vidi resurgentis.

Angelicos testes sudariam et vestes.

Surrexit Christus, spes mea; precedet vos in Galilæam.

Scimus Christum surrexisse a mortuis vere: tu nobis, victor Rex, miserere. Amen. Alleluia. The foregoing Prose, as well as the following Com-

municantes and Hanc igitur, are continued in every

Mass till Saturday next inclusively.

GOSPEL. Mark xvi. 1. 7 .- At that time: Mary Magdalen, and Mary the mother of James and Salome, brought sweet spices, that coming they might anoint Jesus. And very early in the morning the first day of the week, they come to the sepulchre, the sun being now risen. And they said one to another: Who shall roll us back the stone from the door of the sepulchre? And looking, they saw the stone rolled back. For it was very great. And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side clothed with a white robe: and they were astonished. Who saith to them: Be not affrighted: you seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified: he is risen, he is not here, behold the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter, that he goeth before you, into Galilee: there you shall see him, as he told you. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. lxxv.-The earth trembled, and was silent, while God arose to judgment. Alleluia.

SECRET. Receive, O Lord, we beseech thee, the prayers of thy people, together with the offerings of these hosts, that what is consecrated by these paschal mysteries, may by the help of thy grace, avail us to eternal life. Thro'.

COMMUNICANTES. Being united in communion. and celebrating this most sacred day of the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to our flesh: moreover, honouring the memory of, &c. as in the Ordinary, p. xxxiv.

HANC IGITUR. We therefore beseech thee, O Lord, graciously to accept this oblation of thy ser

vants and of thy whole family, which we offer to thee also, for all those thou hast vouchsafed to regenerate, by water and the Holy Ghost, granting them the remission of all their sins. Dispose our days in peace, &c. as p. xxxv.

COMM. 1 Cor. v — Christ himself is become our puschal sacrifice, Alleluia: therefore let us feast on the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alle-

luia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

P. COMM. Spiritum nobis.—Pour forth on us, O Lord, the spirit of thy love: that those whom thou hast filled with the paschal sacrament, may, by thy goodness, live in perfect concord. Thro—in the unity of the Holy Ghost.

EASTER MONDAY.

INTROIT. Exodus xiii.

THE Lord hath brought you into a land flowing with milk and honey. Alleluia: let then the law of the Lord be ever in your mouth, Alleluia, Alleluia. Ps. Praise the Lord, and call upon his name: publish his works among the Gentiles.

Introduxit vos Dominus
Introduxit vos Dominus
in terram fluentem lac
et mel, Alleluia: et ut lux
Domini semper sit in ore
vestro, Alleluia, Alleluia.
Ps. Confitenini Domino,
et invocate nomen ejus:
annuntiate inter Gentes
opera ejus. V. Gloria.

V. Glory.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who by the mys tery of the paschal solemnity, has bestowed remedies on the world; continue, we beseech thee, thy heavenly blessings on thy people, that they may deserve to obtain perfect liberty, and advance towards eternal life. Thro'.

LESSON. Acts x. 37. 43.—In those days: Peter standing up in the midst of the people said: You know the word that hath been published through all Judea: for it began from Galilee after the hap-

tism which John preached, Jesus of Nazareth: how God anointed him with the Holy Ghost, and with power, who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all things that he did in the land of the Jews and in Jerusalem, whom they killed hanging him upon a tree. God raised up the third day, and gave him to be made manifest. Not to all the people, but to witnesses pre-ordained by God, even to us, who did eat and drink with him after he rose again from the dead, And he commanded us to preach to the people, and to testify that it is he who was appointed by God to be judge of the living and of the dead. To him all the prophets give testimony, that through his name all receive remission of sins, who believe in him.

GRAD. Ps. cxvii.—This is the day the Lord hath made: come let us exult and rejoice thereon. V. Let Israel now say, that the Lord is good: that his mercy endureth for ever. Alleluia, Alleluia.

V. An angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and coming to the monument, rolled back the stone, and sat upon it.

V. Angelus Domini descended to calo, et accedens revolvit lapidem, et sedebat super eum.

GÓSPEL. Luke xxiv. 13. 35.—At that time: Two of the disciples of Jesus went the same day to a town which was sixty furlongs from Jerusalem, named Emmaus. And they talked together of all these things which had happened. And it came to pass, that while they talked and reasoned with themselves, Jesus himself also drawing near, went with them. But their eyes were held that they should not know him. And he said to them: What are these discourses that you hold one with another as you walk, and are sad? And the one of them whose name was Cleophas, answering, said to him: Art thou only a stranger in Jerusalem, and hast not known the

things that have been done there in these days? To whom he said: What things? And they said: Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet, mighty in work and word before God and all the people. And how our chief priests and princes delivered him to be condemned to death, and crucified him. But we hoped that it was he that should have redeemed Israel: and now besides all this, todas is the third day since these things were done. Yea and certain women also of our company, affrighted us, who before it was light were at the sepulchre. And not finding his body, came, saying that they had also seen a vision of angels, who say that he is alive. And some of our people went to the sepulchre: and found it so as the women had said, but him they found not. Then he said to them: O foolish, and slow of heart to believe in all things which the prophets have spoken. Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and so to enter into his glory? And beginning at Moses and all the pro-phets, he expounded to them in all the scriptures the things that were concerning him. And they drew nigh to the town whither they were going: and he made as though he would go farther. But they constrained him, saying: Stay with us, because it is towards evening, and the day is now far spent. And he went in with them. And it came to pass, whilst he was at table with them, he took bread; and blessed and brake, and gave to them. And their eyes were opened, and they knew him: and he vanished out of their sight. And they said one to the other: Was not our hearts burning within us, , whilst he spoke in the way, and opened to us the scriptures? And rising up the same hour they went back to Jerusalem: and they found the eleven gathered together, and those that were with them. Saying, the Lord is risen indeed, and hath appeared to Simon. And they told what things were done in

the way: and how they knew him in the breaking of bread. CREDO.

OFFERT. Matt. xxix.—An angel of the Lord came down from heaven, and said to the women: He whom you seek, is risen, as he told you. Allel.

SECRET and P. COMM. as yesterday, p. 331, 332. COMM. Luke xxiv.—The Lord hath risen and appeared to Peter. 'Alleluia.

EASTER TUESDAY.

INTROIT. Eccles. xv.—He hath given them the water of wisdom to drink, Alleluia: this wisdom shall be strengthened in them, and shall not be moved, Alleluia: it shall raise them up for ever, Alleluia, Alleluia. Ps. Praise the Lord, and call upon his name: declare his deeds among the Gentiles. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who by a new increase does continually enlarge thy Church: grant that thy servants may manifest in their lives the sacrament they have received with faith. Thro'.

LESSON. Acts xiii. 26. 33.—In those days: Paul standing up, and with his hand bespeaking silence, said: My brethren, children of the stock of Abraham, and whosoever among you fear God, to you the word of this salvation is sent. For they that inhabited Jerusalem, and the rulers thereof, not knowing him, nor the voices of the prophets which are read every Sabbath, judging him have fulfilled them, and finding no cause of death in him, they desired of Pilate, that they might kill him. And when they had fulfilled all things that were written of him. taking him down from the tree, they laid him in a sepulchre. But God raised him up from the dead the third day: who was seen for many days by them who came up with him from Galilee to Jerusalem. who to this present are his witnesses to the people. And we declare unto you that the promise which

was made to our fathers, this same God hath fulfilled to α:: children, raising up Jesus Christ our Lord.

GRAD. Ps. cxvii.—This is the day which the Lord hath made: let us be glad and rejoice therein. V. Let them now say so, they have been redeemed by the Lord from the hand of the enemy: and gathered them out of the countries, Alleluia, Alleluia. The Lord who hung on the tree of the cross for us, is risen from the grave. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Luke xxiv. 36. 47.—At that time: Jesus stood in the midst of his disciples, and said to them: Peace be to you; it is I, fear not. But they being troubled and frighted, supposed they saw a spirit. And he said to them: Why are you troubled, and why do thoughts arise in your hearts? See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself; handle me and see: for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as you see me to have. And when he had said this, he shewed them his hands and his feet. But while they vet believed not and wondered for joy, he said: Have you here any thing to eat? And they offered him a piece of broiled fish, and a honey comb. And when he had eaten before them, taking the remains he gave to them. And he said to them: These are the words which I have spoke to you whilst I was yet with you, that all things must needs be fulfilled, which are written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me. Then he opened their understandings that they might understand the scriptures. And he said to them: Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise again from the dead the third day: and that penance and remission of sins should be preached in his name unto all nations. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. xvii.—The Lord thundered from heaven, and the Most High sent forth his voice: and the fountains of waters appeared. Alleluia.

SECRET. Receive, O Lord, we besech thee, the prayers of the faithful, together with these oblations: that by these duties of piety they may obtain eternal life. Thro'.

COMM. Colos. iii.—If you be risen with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is sitting at the right hand of God, Alleluia. mind the things that are above, Alleluia.

P. COMM. Concede.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that the virtue of the Paschal sacrament, which we have received, may always remain in our souls. Thro'.

WEDNESDAY IN EASTER WEEK.

INTROIT. Matt. xxv.—Come, ye blessed of my Father, possess the kingdom, Alleluia: which hath been prepared for you from the beginning of the world, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Ps. Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord all the earth. V. Glory.

I. COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who by the yearly solemnity of the resurrection of our Lord, fillest us with joy: mercifully grant, that, by these temporal festivals which we celebrate, we may at last come to the possession of those joys that are cternal. Thro'.

The II. Collect till Saturday next is, either Ecclesiæ or Deus omnium, with their respective Secrets and P. Comms. pp. 50, &c.

LESSON. Acts iii. 13. 19.—In those days: Peter opening his mouth, said: You men of Israel, and you who fear God, give ear. The God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, and the God of our Fathers hath glerified his Son Jesus, whom you indeed delivered up and denied him before the face of Pilate, when he judged he should be released. But you denied thy Holy One and the

Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you. But the Author of life you killed, whom God hath raised from the dead, of which we are witnesses. And the faith of his name, this man whom you have seen and know, hath his name strengthened; and the faith which is by him, hath given this perfect soundness in the sight of you all. And now, brethren I know that you did it through ignorance, as did also your rulers. But those things which God before had shewed by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ should suffer, he hath so fulfilled. Repent therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out.

GRAD. Ps. cxvii.—This is the day which the Lord hath made: come let us be glad and rejoice therein. V. The right hand of the Lord hath wrought strength; the right hand of the Lord hath exalted me, Alleluia, Alleluia. V. The Lord is certainly risen, and hath appeared to Peter.

GOSPEL. John xxi. 1. 14.—At that time: Jesus shewed himself again to the disciples at the sea of Tiberias. And he shewed himself after this manner. There were together Simon Peter, and Thomas who is called Didymus, and Nathaniel, who was of Cana in Galilee, and the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter saith to them: I go a fishing. They say to him: We also come with thee. And they went forth and entered into the ship; and that night they caught nothing. But when the morning was come, Jesus stood on the shore: yet the disciples knew not that it was Jesus. Jesus therefore said to them: Children, have you any meat? They answered him: No. He saith to them: Cast the net on the right side of the ship: and you shall find. They cast therefore: and now they are not able to draw it for the multitude of fishes. disciple therefore whom Jesus loved said to Peter: It is the Lord Simon Peter, when he heard that it

was the Lord, girt his coat about him (for he was naked) and cast himself into the sea. But the other disciples came in the ship (for they were not far from the land, but as it were two hundred cubits) dragging the net with fishes. As soon then as they came to land, they saw hot coals lying, and a fish laid thereon, and bread. Jesus saith to them: Bring hither of the fishes which you have now caught: Simon Peter went up, and drew the net to land, full of great fishes, one hundred and fifty-three. although there were so many, the net was not broken. Jesus saith to them: Come, and dine. And none of them who were at meat, durst ask him: Who art thou? knowing that it was the Lord. And Jesus cometh and taketh bread, and giveth them, and fish in like manner. This is now the third time that Jesus was manifested to his disciples, after he was risen from the dead. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. lxxvii.—The Lord opened the gates of heaven, and rained down Manna for them to eat: he gave them the bread of heaven: man hath eaten the bread of angels, Alleluia.

SECRET. We offer thee, O Lord, with joy these Paschal sacrifices, wherewith thy Church is wonderfully fed and nourished. Thro'.

COMM. Rom. vi.—Christ rising from the dead, dieth no more, Alleluia: death shall have no more any power over him, Alleluia, Alleluia.

P. COMM. Ab omni.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that being cleansed from the old leaven, the receiving thy venerable sacrament may transform us into a new creature. Who, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, liveth, &c.

THURSDAY IN EASTER WEEK.

INTROIT. Wisd. x. — They praised with one accord thy victorious hand, O Lord, Alleluia. For F f 2

wisdom hath opened the mouth of the dumb, and made the tongues of infants eloquent, Alleluia Alleluia. Ps. lxxix. Sing to the Lord a new song, for he hath done wonders. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who hast united various nations in the confession of thy name: grant that they who have been born again by the water of baptism, may have the same faith in their hearts, and the same piety in their actions. Thro.

LESSON. Acts viii. 26. 40. — In those days: An angel of the Lord spoke to Philip, saying: Arise, go towards the south, to the way that goeth down from Jerusalem to Gaza: this is desert. And rising up he went. And behold a man of Ethiopia, an eunuch of great authority under Candace Queen of the Ethiopians, who had charge over all her treasures, had come to Jerusalem to adore. And he was returning sitting in his chariot, and reading Isaias the prophet. And the spirit said to Philip: Go near, and join thyself to his chariot. Philip returning thither, heard him reading the prophet Isaias, and he said: Thinkest thou that thou understandest what thou readest? Who said: And how can I, unless some man shew me? and he desired Philip that he would come up and sit with him. And the place of the scripture which he was reading was this: "He was led as a sheep to the slaughter: and like a lamb without voice before his shearer, so openeth he not his mouth. In humility his judgment was taken away. His generation who shall weclare, for his life shall be taken from the earth?" And the eunuch answering Philip, said: I beseech thee, of whom doth the prophet speak this? of himself, or of some other .nan? Then Philip opening his mouth, and beginning at this scripture, preached unto him Jesus. And as they went on their way, they came to a certain water: and the eunuch said: See here is water, what doth

hinder me from being baptized? And Philip said. If thou believest with all thy heart, thou mayest. And he answering, said: I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down into the water, both Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. And when they were come up out of the water, the spirit of the Lord took away Philip, and the eunuch saw him no more. And he went on his way rejoicing. But Philip was found in Azotus, and passing through, he preached the gospel to all the cities till he came to Cesarea.

GRAD. Ps. cxvii.—This is the day which the Lord hath made, come let us be glad and rejoice therein. V. The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner stone: this is the Lord's doing and it is wonderful in our eyes, Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Christ is risen, who created all things, and hath shewn mercy to

mankind.

GOSPEL. John xx. 11. 18.—At that time: Mary stood at the sepulchre without, weeping. Now as she was weeping, she stooped down, and looked into the sepulchre: and she saw two angels in white, sitting, one at the head, and one at the feet, where the body of Jesus had been laid. say to her: Woman, why weepest thou? She saith to them: Because they have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid him. When she had thus said, she turned herself back, and saw Jesus standing; and she knew not that it was Jesus said to her: Woman, why weepest thou? whom seekest thou? She thinking that it was the gardener, saith to him: Sir, if thou hast taken him hence, tell me where thou hast laid him: and I will take him away. Jesus saith to her: Mary. She turning, saith to him: Rabboni (which is to say, Master.) Jesus saith to her: Do not touch me, for I am not yet ascended to my Father: but go to my brethren, and say to them, I ascend to my Father and to your Father, to my God and your God. Mary Magdalen cometh and telleth the disciples. I have seen the Lord, and these things he said to me CREDO.

OFFERT. Exod. xiii.—In the days of your solemnity, saith the Lord, I will bring you into a land

flowing with milk and honey, Alleluia.

SECRET.—Graciously accept, we beseech thee, O Lord, the offerings of thy people: that being renewed by the confession of thy name and by baptism, they may obtain everlasting bliss. Thro'.

COMM. 1 Peter ii.—You, who are a purchased people, publish his might, Alleluia: It is he who hath called you from darkness to his wonderful light,

Alleluia.

P. COMM. Exaudi.—Graciously hear our prayers, O Lord, that by frequenting these sacred mysteries of our redemption, we may obtain the necessary helps of this life, and endless joys of the next. Thro'.

FRIDAY IN EASTER WEEK.

INTROIT. Ps. lxxvii.—The Lord hath brought them forth in hope, Alleluia; and the sea hath covered their enemies, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Ps. Attend, O my people, to my law, incline your ears to the words of my mouth. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Omnipotens.—O Almighty and Eternal God, who hast instituted this Paschal mystery in the covenant of the reconciliation of mankind; assist us with thy holy grace, that what we profess in this solemnity, we may practise in our lives. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 1 Peter iii. 18, 22.—Dear Brethren: Christ died once for our sins, the just for the unjust that he might offer us to God, being put to death indeed in the flesh, but enlivened in the spirit. In which also coming, he preached to those spirits that

were in prison; which had been some time incredulous, when they waited for the patience of God in the days of Noe, when the ark was a building: wherein a few, that is, eight souls were saved by water Whereunto baptism being of the like form, now saveth you also; not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the examination of a good conscience towards God by the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who is on the right hand of God.

GRAD.—This is the day which the Lord hath made: let us exult and rejoice therein. V. Blessed be he that cometh in the name of the Lord. The Lord is God, and he liath shone upon us, Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Publish it among the Gentiles, that

the Lord hath reigned from the cross.

GOSPEL. Matt. xxviii. 16. 20.—At that time: The eleven disciples went into Galilee unto the mountain where Jesus had appointed them. And seeing him they adored: but some doubted. And Jesus coming, spoke to them, saying: All power is given to me in heaven and in earth. Going therefore, teach ye all nations: baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and behold I am with you all days, even to the consummation of the world. Credo.

OFFERT. Exod. xii.—This day shall be a meinorable one to you, Alleluia. You shall keep it a solemn festival to the Lord throughout all your generations; an everlasting stated solemnity. Allel.

SECRET.—Mercifully accept this sacrifice, we beseech thee, O Lord, which we offer for the remission of their sins, who have been regenerated; and to obtain speedily the help of thy grace. Thro.'

COMM. Matt. xxviii.—All power is given to me m heaven and in earth, Alleluia: Go teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, Alleluia, Alleluia.

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P. COMM. Respice.—Look down, we beseech thee, O Lord, upon thy people: and since thou hast vouchsafed to give them a new life by these eternal mysteries, grant them also pardon of their temporal offences. Thro.

SATURDAY IN EASTER WEEK.

INTROIT. Ps. civ.—The Lord hath led forth his people in gladness, Alleluia: and his chosen ones in joy, Alleluia, Alleluia. Ps. Praise the Lord and call upon his name: publish his works among the Gentiles. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Concede.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we, who with reverence have celebrated this solemnity of Easter, may happily

arrive at everlasting joys. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 1 Peter ii.—Dear Brethren: Laying away all malice, and all guile and dissimulations, and envies, and all detractions, as new-born babes, desire the rational milk without guile; that thereby you may grow into salvation: if so be you have tasted that the Lord is sweet, unto whom coming, as to a living stone, rejected indeed by men, but chosen and made honourable by God: be you also as living stones built up, a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ. Wherefore it is said in the scripture: "Behold I lay in Sion a chief corner-stone, elect, precious: and he that shall believe in him, shall not be confounded." To you therefore that believe, honour; but to them that believe not, "the stone which the builders rejected, the same is made the head of the corner:" and a stone of stumbling and a rock of scandal, to them who stumble at the word, neither do believe, whereunto also they are set. But you are a chosen generation, a kingly priesthood, a holy nation, a purchased people: that you may declare his virtues, who hath

called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. "Who in time past were not a people: but are now the people of God. Who had not obtained mercy; but now have obtained mercy."

Alleluia, Alleluia. V. This is the day which the Lord hath made: let us exult and rejoice therein, Alleluia. V. Praise the Lord, ye his servants, praise the name of the Lord.

GOSPEL. John xx. 1. 9.—At that time: The first day of the week, Mary Magdalen cometh early. while it was yet dark, to the sepulchre: and she saw the stone taken away from the sepulchre. She ran, therefore, and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and saith to them: They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchree and we know not where they have laid him. Peter therefore went out, and that other disciple, and they came to the sepulchre. And they both ran together, and that other disciple did overrun Peter, and came first to the sepulchre. And when he stooped down, he saw the linen cloths lying: but yet he went not Then cometh Simon Peter, following him, and went into the sepulchre, and saw the linen cloths lying. And the napkin, that had been about his head. not lying with the linen cloths, but apart wrapt up into one place. Then that other disciple also went in. who came first to the sepulchre: and he saw, and believed; for as yet they knew not the scripture, that he must rise again from the dead. CREDO.

OFFERT, Ps. cxvii.—Blessed be he that cometh in the name of the Lord: we have blessed you out of the house of the Lord: the Lord is God, and he

hath shone upon us, Alleluia, Alleluia.

SECRET.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that we may always gratefully solemnize the Paschal mysteries, and that the continual celebration of the sacrament of our redemption may be to us a subject of perpetual joy. Thro.

COMM. Gal. iii.—All you that hav been bap-

tized in Christ, have put on Christ, Allevia.

P. COMM. Redemptionis.—Being strengthened O Lord, by the sacrament of our redemption, grant that through this help to eternal salvation, a true faith may always be increased in us. Thro'.

QUASIMODO, or LOW SUNDAY.

Is called in the Roman Missal, Dominica, in albis, pecause those who were baptized on Holy Saturday laid aside the white garments wherewith they were yesterday clothed, and began this day to be no longer distinguished in dress from the rest of the faithful. It is to the newly baptized, however, and those who have recovered their innocence by the sacrament of penance, that the Church addresses herself, exhorting them, like new-born children, earnestly to desire the spiritual milk of the word of God, which alone can maintain in them that life of grace which they have just recovered.

INTROIT. 1 Peter ii. Ps. lxxx.

A Snewborn babes, Allel. desire the rational milk without guile, Allel. Allel. Allel. Ps. Rejoice to God our helper: sing aloud to the God of Jacob. V. Glory. QUASIMODO, geniti infantes, Allel. rationabile sine dolo lac concupiscite, Alleluia, Allel. Allel. Ps. Exultate Deo adjutori nostro: jubilate Deo Jacob. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Præsla.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we, who have celebrated the solemnity of Easter, may, by the assistance of thy divine grace, ever make the effects thereof manifest in our lives and actions. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 1 John v. 4. 9.—Dearly beloved: Whatsoever is born of God, overcometh the world: and this is the victory which overcometh the world, our faith. Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is he that came by water and blood, Jesus Christ: not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the spirit which testifieth, that Christ is the truth. And there are three who give testimony in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost. And these three are one. And there are three that give testimony on earth: the spirit, the water, and the blood, and these three are one. If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater. For this is the testimony of God which is greater, because he hath testified of his Son. He that believeth in the Son of God, hath the testimony of God in himself.

Alleluia, Allel. V. On the day of my resurrection saith the Lord, I will go before you into Galilee, Alleluia

V. After eight days, sus stood in the midst of his disciples, and said: Peace be with you. Allel.

V. Post dies octo, januis the doors being shut, Je- clausis, stetit Jesus in medio discipulorum suorum, et dixit : Pax vobis. Allel

GOSPEL. John xx. 19. 31.—At that time: When it was late that same day, being the same day of the week, and the doors were shut, where the disciples were gathered together for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them: Peace be to you. And when he had said this he shewed them his hands and his side. The disciples therefore were glad when they saw the Lord. He said therefore to them again: Peace be to you. As the Father hath sent me, I also send you. When he had said this, he breathed on them; and he said to them: Receive ye the Holy Ghost: whose sins you shall forgive, they are forgiven them: and whose sins you shall retain, they are retained. Now Thomas, one of the twelve, who is called Didymus. was not with them when Jesus came. The other .

disciples therefore said to him: We have seen the Lord. But he said to them: Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my tinger into the place of the nails, and put my hands into his side, I will not believe. And after eight days, again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them. Jesus cometh, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said: Peace be to you. Then he said to Thomas: Put in thy fingers hither, and see my hands, and bring hither thy hand, and put it into my side; and be not faithless, but believing. Thomas answered, and said to him: My Lord and my God! Jesus saith to him: because thou hast seen me, Thomas, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and have believed.* Many other signs also did Jesus in the sight of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ the Son of God: and that believing you may have life in his name. CREDO.

OFFERT. Matt. xxviii.—An angel of the Lord came down from heaven, and said to the woman: He whom you seek is risen, as he told you, Allel.

SECRET.—Receive, we beseech thee, O Lord, the offerings of thy joyful Church: and as thou hast given occasion to this great joy, grant she may receive the fruits of that joy, which will never end. Thro.

COMM. John xx.—Put forth thy hand, and remark the place of the nails, Alleluia: and be not incredulous, but believe, Alleluia, Alleluia.

P. COMM. Quasumus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord our God, that the sacred mysteries thou hast given us to preserve the grace of our redemption, may be our present and future remedy. Thro.

What follows is omitted on the Feast of St. Thomas, 21st of December

The From hence till the Ascension (except on Doubles the II. Collect is Concede, as in the Votive Mass of the B. V. M. from Easter to Advent; the III. Ecclesiæ, or Deus omnium, pp. 50, &c. with their respective Secrets and P. Comms.

II. SUNDAY after EASTER.

INTROIT. Ps. xxxii.

THE earth is full of the mercy of the Lord, Allel. by the word of the Lord, the heavens were established, Allel. Allel.

Ps. Rejoice in the Lord O ye just: praise becometh the upright.

V. Glory.

MISERICORDIA Domini plena est terra Alleluia: verbo Domini cæli firmati sunt, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Ps. Exultate justi in Domino: rectos decet collaudatio. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Deus.—O God, who, by the humiliation of thy Son, hast raised up the fallen world: grant to thy people perpetual joy: that they whom thou hast delivered from the danger of everlasting death, may arrive at eternal happiness. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 1 Peter ii. 21. 25.—Dearly beloved: Christ also suffered for us, leaving you an example that you should follow his steps. Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth. Who when he was reviled, did not revile: when he suffered he threatened not: but delivered himself to him that judged him unjustly: who his own self bore our sins in his body upon the tree: that we being dead to sins, should live to justice: by whose stripes you were healed. For you were as sheep going astray: but you are now converted to the shepherd and bishop of your souls.

V. I am the good shepherd, and I know my bonus, et cognosco over -heep, and my sheep meas, et cognoscunt me rnow me, Alleluia. mea, Alleluia.

GOSPEL. John x. 11. 16.—At that time: Jesus aid to the Pharisees: I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd giveth his life for his sheep. But the lireling and he that is not the shepherd, whose own he sheep are not seeth the wolf coming and leaveth he sheep, and flieth, and the wolf catcheth, and scattereth the sheep: and the hireling flieth, because e is a hireling; and he hath no care for the sheep. vam the good shepherd: and I know mine, and mine know me. As the Father knoweth me, and I now the father: and I lay down my life for my sheep. And other sheep I have, that are not of this old; them also I must bring, and they shall hear ny voice, and there shall be one fold, and one shepierd. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. lxii.—O my God, my God, to thee to I watch at break of day: and in thy name I will

oft up my hands. Alleluia.

SECRET .- May this holy oblation, O Lord, draw own upon us thy saving blessing; and always protuce in us the effect of what is represented in these acred mysteries. Thro'.

COMM. John x .- I am the good shepherd, Alleuia: and I know my sheep, and my sheep know

me. Alleluia, Alleluia.

P. COMM. Prasta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that, receiving from thee the grace of life, we may always glory in thy gift. Thro.

III. SUNDAY after EASTER. INTROIT. Ps. lxv.

CHOUT with joy to God all the earth, J terra, Alleluia: psal-Allel.: sing ye a psalm to his name, Alleluia. Give

TURILATE Deo omnis mum dicite nomini ejus, Alleluia. Date gloriam glory to his praise, Allel. Allel. Allel. Ps. Say unto God: how terrible are thy works, O Lord! Thy great power shall convict thy enemies of a lie.

laudi ejus, Allel. Allel. Ps. Dicite Deo: quam terribilia sunt opera tua Domini! In multitudine virtutis tuæ mentientur tibi inimici tui. V. Gloria.

V. Glotv. COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who shewest the light of thy truth to such as go astray, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant that all, who profess the Christian name, may forsake whatever is contrary to that profession, and closely pur-

sue what is agreeable to it. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 1 Peter ii. 11. 19 .- Dearly beloved: I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims to refrain yourselves from carnal desires, which war against the soul, having your conversation good among the Gentiles: that whereas they speak against you as evil doers, they may, by the good works which they shall behold in you, glorify God in the day of visitation. Be ye subject therefore to every human creature for God's sake: whether it be to kings as excelling: or to governors as sent by him for the punishment of evil doers, and for the praise of the good: for so is the will of God, that by doing well you may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men: as free, and not as making liberty a cloak for malice, but as the servants of God. Honour all men: love the brotherhood: fear God: honour the king. Servants be subject to your masters with all fear, not only to the good and gentle, but also to the froward. For this is thanks-worthy in Jesus Christ our Lord.

V. Ps. cx. The Lord hath Alleluia, Alleluia.

sent redemption to his people. Alleluia.

V. It behoved Christ to from the dead and so to enter into his Glory. Allel. gloriam suam. Alleluia.

V. Opportebat pati suffer, and to rise again Christum, et resurgere a mortuis, et ita intrare in

GOSPEL. John xvi. 16. 22. — At that time: Jesus said to his disciples:—A little while, and now you shall not see me; and again a little while, and you shall see me: because I go to the Father. Then some of his disciples said one to another: What is this that he saith to us: A little while, and you shall not see me: and again a little while, and you shall see me, and, because I go to the Father? They said therefore: What is this that he saith: A little while? we know not what he speaketh. And Jesus knew that they had a mind to ask him; and he said to them: Of this do you inquire among yourselves, because I said: A little while, and you shall not see me: and again a little while and you shall see me. Amen, amen, I say to you, that you shall lament and weep, but the world shall rejoice: and you shall be made sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy. A woman, when she is in labour, hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but when she hath brought forth the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world. So also you now indeed have sorrow, but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice; and your joy no man shall take from you. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. cxi.—Praise the Lord, O my soul, I will praise the Lord, while I live: I will sing a psalm to my God, while I have a being. Alleluia.

SECRET.—May these sacred mysteries, O Lord, diminish in us the love of the things of this world, and increase the love of such as are eternal. Thro'.

COMM.—A little while, and you shall not see me, Alleluia: again a little while and you shall see me: because I go to the Father. Allel. Allel

P. COMM.—May the sacrament we have received, O Lord, supply us with the spiritual tood of the roul, and all necessary helps of the body. Thro'.

IV. SUNDAY after EASTER. INTROIT. Ps. xcvii.

QING to the Lord a new canticle, Allel. because the Lord hath done wonderful things, Alleluia: he hath revealed his justice in the sight of the Gentiles, Allel. Allel. Allel. Ps. His right-hand and his holy arm hath saved us. V. Glory.

MANTATE Domino U canticum novum, Alleluia: quia mirabilia fecit Dominus Allel.: ante conspectum gentium revelavit justitiam Allel. Allel. Ps. Salvavit sibi dextera ejus et brachium sanctum eius. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.-() God, who makest the faithful to be of one mind: grant that thy people may love what thou commandest, and desire what thou promisest: that, amidst the uncertainties of this world, we may place our affections where there are true joys. Thro'.

EPISTLE. James i. 17. 21.—Dearly beloved: Every best gift, and every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no change, nor shadow of alteration. For of his own will hath he begotten us by the word of truth, that we might be some beginning of his creatures. You know, my dearest brethren. And let every man be swift to hear, but slow to speak, and slow to anger. For the anger of man worketh not the justice of God. Wherefore casting away all uncleanness, and abundance of naughtiness, with meekness receive the ingrafted word, which is able to save your souls.

Alleluia, Alleluia. V. The right hand of the Lord hath displayed his power: the right hand of the Lord hath raised me up, Alleluia.

V. Christ rising from V. Christus resurgens the dead, dieth no more: ex mortuis, jam non mo-G g 3

death shall no longer have ritur: mors illi ultra non power over him, Allel. dominabitur, Alleluia.

GOSPEL. John xvi. 5. 15 .- At that time : Jesus said to his disciples .: I go to him that sent me: and none of you asketh me: Whither goest thou? But because I have spoken these things to you, sorrow hath filled your heart. But I tell you the truth: it is expedient to you that I go: for if I go not, the Paraclete will not come to you: but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he is come, he will convince the world of sin, and of justice, and of judgment. Of sin: because they believed not in me. And of justice: because I go to the Father; and you shall see me no longer. And of judgment: because the prince of this world is already judged. I have yet many things to say to you: but you cannot bear them now. But when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will teach you all truth. For he shall not speak of himself; but what things soever he shall hear, he shall speak: and the things that are to come he shall shew you. He shall glorify me: because he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it you. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. lxv.—Sing to the Lord all the earth, sing a psalm to his name: come, and hear, and I will relate to you, all you who fear God, what great things the Lord hath done for my soul. Alleluin.

SECRET.—O God, who madest us partakers of the one Supreme Divinity, by the frequent celebration and participation of this holy sacrifice: grant, we beseech thee, that as we know thy truth, so we may live up to it by a worthy conduct of life. Thro'.

COMM. John xvi.—When the Comforter, the Spirit of truth shall come, he will convince the world of sin and of justice and of judgment. Allelvia. Allelvia.

P. COMM. Adesto.—Help us, O God, our Lord, that our sins may be forgiven, and that we may be delivered from all dangers by the sacrament, which we have received with faith. Thro?

V. SUNDAY after EASTER. INTROIT. Isaias xlviii. Ps. lxv.

WITH the voice of Jy make this to be heard. Alleluia. Publish to the utmost bounds of the earth: that the Lord hath redeemed his people. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Ps. Shout with joy to God, all the earth: sing a psalm to his name: give glory to his praise.

V. Glory.

POCEM jucunditatis annuntiate, et audiatur. Alleluia. Annuntiate usque ad extremum terræ: liberavit Dominus populum suum. Alleluia.

Ps. Jubilate Deo omnis terra: psalmum dicite nomini ejus: date gloriam laudi ejus.

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Deus.—O God, from whom all that is good proceeds: grant that thy people, by thy inspiration, may resolve on what is right, and by thy

direction, put it in practice. Thro'.

EPISTLE. James i. 22. 27.—Dearly beloved: Be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. For if a man be a hearer of the word and not a doer; he shall be compared to a man beholding his own countenance in a glass. For he beheld himself and went his way, and presently forgot what manner of man he was. But he that hath looked into the perfect law of liberty, and hath continued therein, not becoming a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work: this man shall be blessed in his deed. And if any man think himself religious, not bridling his tongue, but deceiving his own heart, this man's religion is vain. Religion clean and undefiled before God and the Father, is this: to visit the fatherless and the widows in their

tribulation: and to keep one's self unspotted from the world.

Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Christ is risen, and hath shone upon us, whom he hath redeemed with his blood. Alleluia.

- V. I came forth from the Father, and I came into the world: I leave the world again, and go to the Father. Alleluia.
- V. Exivi a Patre, et veni in mundum: iterum relinquo mundum, et vado ad Patrem. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. John xvi. 23, 30. - At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: Amen, amen, I say to you: if you ask the Father any thing in my name, he will give it you. Hitherto you have not asked any thing in my name. Ask and you shall receive; that your joy may be full. These things I have spoken to you in proverbs. The hour cometh when I will no more speak to you in proverbs, but will shew you plainly of the Father. In that day your shall ask in my name: and I say not to you, that I will ask the Father for you. For the Father himself loveth you, because you have loved me, and have believed that I came out from God. I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again I leave the world, and go to the Father. His disciples say to him: Behold now thou speakest plainly, and speakest no proverb. Now we know that thou knowest all things, and thou needest not that any man should ask thee. By this we believe that thou camest forth from God. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. lxv.—Bless the Lord our God: Ye Gentiles, and make the voice of his praise be heard, who hath set my soul to live, and hath not suffered my feet to be moved. Blessed be the Lord, who hath not turned away my prayer, nor his mercy from me. Allelvia.

SECRET.—Receive, O Lord, we be seech thee, the prayers of the faithful, together with these obla-

tions; that by these duties of piety we may obtain eternal life. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xcv.—Sing to the Lord Alleluia, sing to the Lord, and bless his name: publish duly, every day, that he hath saved us. Alleluia, Alleluia.

P. COMM. Tribue.—Grant, O Lord by the power of the heavenly nourishment we have received, that we desire what is right, and obtain our desire. Thro.'

ROGATION DAYS.

WHEN the Diocese of Vienne, in the fifth century had been dreadfully afflicted by incessant earth quakes, incursions of wild beasts, &c. &c. &t. Mamertus its Bishop experienced such happy effects from the public supplications he had appointed for the ceasing of these terrible calamities, that the same pious custom extended itself gradually over the whole Western Church; and hence it is, that on the three days preceding the Feast of the Ascension, abstinence from flesh is enjoined, and the long Litanies are sung in solemn procession in catholic countries: that the wrath of God being appeased by the abstinence and prayers of his Church, we may avert those punishments which are justly due to our sins.

INTROIT. Ps. xvii.—He heard my voice from his holy temple, Alleluia. And my cry before him came into his ears. Alleluia, Alleluia. Ps. I will love thee, O Lord, my strength: the Lord is my firmament, my refuge, and my deliverer. V. Glory. COLLECT. Prasta.—Grant, we beseech thee,

OAlnighty God, that we, who in our afflictions rely on thy goodness, may, under thy protection, be defended against all adversities. Thro'.

EPISTLE. James v. 16. 20.—Most dearly beloved: Confess your sins one to another; and pray one for another, that you may be saved. For the continual prayer of a just man availeth much. Elias was a man passable like unto us: and with prayer he prayed that it might not rain upon the earth, and it

rained not for three years and six months. And he prayed again and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit. My brethren, if any of you err from the truth, and one convert him: he must know, that he who caused a sinner to be converted from the error of his way, shall save his soul from death, and shall cover a multitude of sins.

Alleluia. V. Praise the Lord, for he is good, and

his mercy endureth for ever.

GOSPEL. Luke xi. 5. 13.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: Which of you shall have a friend, and shall go to him at midnight, and shal' say to him: Friend, lend me three loaves, because a friend of mine has come off his journey to me, and I have not what to set before him: and he from within should answer and say: Trouble me not, the door is now shut, and my children are with me in hed; I cannot rise and give thee. Yet if he shall continue knocking, I say to you, although he will not rise and give him, because he is his friend; yet because of his importunity he will rise, and give him as many as he needeth. And I say to you, Ask, and it shall be given to you: seek, and you shall find: knock, and it shall be opened to you. For every one that asketh, receiveth; and he that seeketh, findeth; and to him that knocketh, it shall be opened. And which of you, if he ask his father bread, will he give him a stone? or a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent? Or if he ask an egg will he reach him a scorpion? If you then being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more wili your Father from heaven give the good Spirit to them that ask him?

OFFERT. Ps. cviii.—I will give great thanks to the Lord with my mouth, and in the midst of many: I will praise him, because he hath stood at the right-hand of the poor to save my soul from persecutors. Allehan.

SECRET .- May these offerings, O Lord, loosen

the bonds of our wickedness, and obtain for us the

gift of thy mercy. Thro'.

COMM. Luke xi.—Ask, and it shall be given you: seek, and you shall find: knock, and it shall be opened to you. For every one that asketh, receiveth: and he that seeketh, findeth: and to him that knocketh, it shall be opened. Alleluia.

P. COMM. Vota nostra.—We beseech thee, O Lord, mercifully receive our prayers; that while we partake of thy gifts in our affliction, the comfort we

find may increase our love. Thro'.

ANTHEM before the Litanies.

Exurge, Domine, adjuva nos: et libera nos propter gloriam nominis tui. Alleluia.

 $\dot{P}s$. Deus, auribus nostris audivimus; patres nostri annuntiaverunt nobis. V. Gloria.

Ant. Exurge, &c. to Ps.

nobis.

pro nobis.

ora pro lobis.

Sancta Dei genitrix, ora

Sancta Virgo Virginum,

The LITANIES.

Parts marked thus * are omitted on Holy Saturday. 🖊 yrte eleison. Christe Sancte Michael. ora. **M**. eleison. Kyrie elei-Sancte Gabriel, ora. Sancte Raphael, son. Christe audi nos. ora. Christe exaudi nos. Omnes sancti Angeli et Pater de cœlis Deus, Mi-Archangeli, serere nobis. Omnes sancti beatorum Fili Redemptor mundi spirituum Ordines, orate Deus, miserere nobis. pro nobis. Spiritus sancte Deus, mi-Sancte J. Baptiste, ora. *Sancte Joseph. serere nobis. ora. Omnes sancti Patriarchæ Sancta Trinitas unus Deus, miserere nobis. et Prophetæ, orate. Sancta Maria, Ora pro Sancte Petre, ora pro

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nobis.

Sancte Paule.

Sancte Andrea,

*Sancte Jacobe,

Sancte Joannes.

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Omnes sancti Apostoli		Omnes sancti Mona	
Evangelistæ, orate.		Eremitæ, orate.	
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Domini, ora		Da,	ora.
*Omnes sancti Innoce		*Sancta Lucia,	ora.
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Sancte Vincenti, o		*Sancta Catharina,	ora.
*Sancti Fabiane et Seb		Sancta Anastasia,	ora.
tiane, orate pro nobis.		Omnes sanctæ Virgines	
*Sancti Joannes et Paule,		et Viduæ. orate.	
orate pro nobis.		Omnes Sancti et Sanctæ	
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Sancte Sylvester, o	ra.	Ab omni malo, L	ibera
~ ~ .	ra.	nos Domine.	
#a	ra.	Ab omni peccato, l	ibera
Sancte Augustine, o	ra.	nos Domine.	
*Sancte Hieronyme, o	ra.	*Ab ira tua, libera	nos
*Sancte Martine, o	ra.	Domine.	
*Sancte Nicolae, o	ra.	*A subitanea et imp	rovi-
Omnes sancti Pontific	e s	sa morte, libera, &	

*Λb insidiis diabo\'i, libera nos Domine.

*Ab ira, odio, et omni mala voluntate, libera nos Domine.

*A spiritu fornicationis, libera nos Domine.

*A fulgure et tempestate, libera nos Domine.

A morte perpetua, libera nos Domine.

Per mysterium sanctæ incarnationis tuæ, libera nos Domine. Per adventum tuum, li-

bera nos Domine.

Per nativitatem tuam, libera nos Domine.

Per bapticum et sanctum jejunium tuum, libera nos Domine.

Per crucem et passionem tuam, libera, &c.

Per mortem et sepulturam tuam, libera, &c. Per sanctam resurrectionem tuam, libera, &c. Per admirabilem ascensionem tuam, libera, &c.

Per adventum Spiritus sancti Paracliti, libera nos Domine.

In die judicii, libera, &c. Peccatores, te rogamus audi nos.

Ut nobis parcas, te rogamus audi nos.

*Ut nobis indulgeas, te rogamus audi nos.

*Ut ad veram pænitentiam nos perducere digneris, te rogamus, &c.

Ut Ecclesiam tuam sanctam regere et conservare digneris, te rogamus audi nos.

Ut domnum Apostolicum et omnes Ecclesiasticos Ordines in sancta religione conservare digneris, te rogamus audi nos.

Ut inimicos sanctæ Ecclesiæ humiliare digneris, te rogamus, &c.

Ut Regibus et Principibus Christianis pacem et veram concordiam donare digneris, te rogamus audi nos.

 Ut cuncto populo Christiano pacem et unitatem largiri digneris, te rogamus audi nos.

Ut nosmetipsos in tuo sancto servitio confortare et conservare digneris, te rogamus, &c.

Ut mentes nostras ad cœlestia desideria erigas, te rogamus, &c.

Ut omnibus benefactoribus nostris sempiterna bona retribuas, te rogamus audi nos.

*Ut animas nostras, fratrum, propinquorum, et benefactorum nostrorum ab æterna damnatione eripias, te rogamus audi nos.

Ut fructus terræ dare et conservare digneris, te rogamus audi nos.

Ut omnibus fidelibus defunctis requiem æternam donare digneris, te rogamus audi nos. Ut nos exaudire digneris, te rogamus audi nos.

*Fili Dei, te rogamus, &c. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, Parce no-

bis Domine.

DEUS in adjutorium meum intende; *
Domine ad adjuvandum me festina.

2. Confundantur et revereantur, * qui quærunt animam meam.

3. Avertantur retrorsum, et erubescant, * qui volunt milfi mala.

4. Avertantur statim erubescentes, * qui dicunt mihi, Euge, Euge.

5. Exultent et ketentur in te omnes qui quærunt te, * et dicant semper; magnificetur Dominus, qui diligunt salutare tuum. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, Exaudi nos Domine

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, Miserere nobis,

Christe audi nos. Christe exaudi nos †. *Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison. Pater noster, in secreto. V. Et ne nos inducas in tentationem. R. Sed libera nos.

Ps. lxix.

6. Ego vero egenus et pauper sum Deus adiuva me.

7. Adjutor meus, et liberator meus es tu; Domine ne moreris.

Gloria Patri, &c.

V. Salvos fac servos tuos. R. Deus meus sperantes in te. V. Esto nobis Domine turris fortitudinis. R. A facie inimici. V. Nihil proficiat inimicus in nobis. R. Et filius iniquitatis non apponat nocere nobis. V. Domine non secundum peccata nostra facias nobis. R. Neque

¹ Here the Mass on Holy Saturday begins, and what follows is then entirely omitted.

secundum iniquitates nostras retribuas nobis. V. Oremus pro Pontifice nostro N. V. Dominus conservet eum, et vivificet eum, et beatum faciat eum in non tradat eum in animam inimicorum eius. V. Oremus pro benefactoribus nostris. R. Retribuere dignare Domine omnibus nobis bona facientibus, propter nomen tuum, vitam æternam. V.

Oremus pro fidelibus defunctis, R. Requiem æternam dona eis Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis. V. Requiescant in pace. R. Amen. V. Pro fratribus nostris absentibus. R. Salvos fac servos tuos, Deus meus sperantes in te. V. Mitte eis Domine auxilium de sancto. Et de Sion tuere eos. V. Domine exaudi orationem meam. R. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

Oremus. Let us pray. GOD, whose property it is always to have mercy and to spare, receive our petitions; that we, and all thy servants, who are bound by the chain of sin, may, by the compassion of thy goodness, mercifully be absolved.

TIEAR, we beseech thee, O Lord, the prayers of II thy suppliants, and pardon us our sins, who confess them to thee; that of thy bounty, thou may-

est grant us pardon and peace.

UT of thy clemency, O Lord, shew us thy unspeakable mercy; that so thou mayest both acquit us of our sins, and deliver us from the punishment we deserve for them.

GOD, who by sin art offended, and by penance U pacified, mercifully regard the prayers of thy people, who make supplications to thee; and turn away the scourges of thy anger, which we deserve for our sins.

ALMIGHTY and Eternal God, have mercy on thy servant N, our chief Bishop, and direct him according to thy clemency, in the way of everlasting salvation; that, by thy grace, he may desire the things that are agreeable to thy will, and per form them with all his strength.

GOD, from whom are all hoty desires, righteous counsels, and just works, give to thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts being disposed to keep thy commandments, and the fear of enemies taken away, the times, by thy protection, may be peaceable.

TNFLAME, O Lord, our reins and hearts with the I fire of thy holy spirit; to the end we may serve thee with a chaste body, and please thee with a

clean heart.

O GOD, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful, give to the souls of thy servants departed the remission of all their sins; that, by pious supplications they may obtain the pardon they have always desired.

PREVENT, we beseech thee, O Lord, our actions by the holy inspirations by thy holy inspirations, and carry them on by thy gracious assistance; that every prayer and work of ours may always begin from thee, and by thee be

happily ended.

O ALMIGHTY and Eternal God, who hast do-minion over the living and the dead, and art merciful to all, whom thou knowest will be thine by faith and good works: we humbly beseech thee that they, for whom we have purposed to offer our prayers, whether the present world still retains them in the flesh, or the next world hath already received them divested of their bodies, may by the clemency of thine own goodness, and the intercession of thy saints, obtain pardon and full remission of ther sins, Thro'. R. Amen.

The Lord be with you. R. And with thy spirit. V. May the almighty and merciful Lord graciously hear us. R. Amen. V. And may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of

God, rest in peace. R. Amen.

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EVE of the ASCENSION.

All as on the Fifth Sunday after EASTER, p. 355. (including a Commem. of the Rogation day, p. 357, and of the B. V. Mary, by the Collect, Concede, as referred to p. 349,) except

EPISTLE, Ephes. iv. 7. 13.—Brethren: To every one of us is given grace, according to the measure of the giving of Christ. Wherefore he saith: "Ascending on high he led captivity captive: he gave gifts to men." Now that he ascended, what is it, but because he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? He that descended, is the same also that ascended above all the heavens, that he might fill all things. And he gave some apostles, and some prophets, and other some evangelists, and other some pastors and doctors, for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifving of the body of Christ: until we all meet into the unity of faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the age of the fulness of Christ,

GOSPEL. John xvii. 1. 11. — At that time: Jesus lifting up his eyes to heaven, said: Father, the hour is come, glorify thy Son, that thy Son may glorify thee. As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he may give eternal life to all, whom thou hast given him. Now this is eternal life; that they may know thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent. I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do: and now glorify thou me, O Father, with thyself with the glory which I had, before the world was, with thee. I have manifested thy name to the men whom thou hast given me out of the world. Thine they were, and to me thou gavest them: and they have kept thy word. Now they have known that all things which thou hast given me H h 3

are from thee: because the words which thou gavest me, I have given to them: and they have received them, and have known in very deed that I came out from thee, and they have believed that thou didst send me. I pray for them: I pray not for the world, but for them whom thou hast given me, because they are thine: and all my things are thine, and thine are mine, and I am glorified in them. And now I am not in the world, and these are in the world, and I come to thee.

ASCENSION DAY.

INSTITUTED in commemoration of Jesus Christ's ascension into heaven, where, seated at the right-hand of his Father, he continually intercedes for us, and invites us to the place he is there preparing for us, of which we shall certainly be one day put in possession, provided we follow his example. But although there be many mansions in heaven, yet there is only one way to go thither. Our Head arrived there, only by the way of sufferings; let us never then flatter ourselves with the thought of obtaining eternal happiness on any other condition.

INTROIT. Acts i. Galilee, I/IRI Galilæi, quid ad-

YE men of Galilee, why look you with surprise up to heaven? Allel. As you have seen him ascending to heaven, so shall he again return. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Ps. Clap your hands, all ye nations: shout unto God with the voice of joy.

V. Glory.

Alleluia.
Ps. Omnes Gentes plaudite manibus: jubilate
Deo in voce exultationis
V. Glora.

miramini aspicientes

in Cælum? Allel. Quemadmodum vidistis eum as-

cendentem in cælum, ita

veniet. Alleluia, Alleluia,

COLLECT. Concede.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we, who believe that thy only Son, our Redeemer, ascended this day into

heaven, may also have our hearts always fixed on heavenly things. Thro' the same.

LESSON. Acts i. 1. 11.—The former treatise, 1 made, O Theophilus, of all things which Jesus began to do and to teach, until the day on which, giving commandments by the Holy Ghost to the apostles whom he had chosen, he was taken up. To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion, by many proofs, by forty days appearing to them, and speaking of the kingdom of God. And eating together with them, he commanded them, that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but should wait for the promise of the Father, which you have heard (saith he) by my mouth: for John indeed baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence. They therefore who were come together, asked him saying: Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom of Israel? But he said to them: It is not for you to know the times or moments, which the Father hath put in his own power; but you shall receive the power of the Holy Ghost coming upon you, and you shall be witnesses to me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and Samaria, and even to the uttermost part of the earth. And when he had said these things, while they looked on, he was raised up; and a cloud received him out of their sight. And while they were beholding him going up to heaven, behold two men stood by them in white garments. Who also said: Ye men of Galilee, why stand you looking up to heaven? This Jesus who is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come as you have seen him going into heaven.

Alleluia, Alleluia. V. God ascended in triumph, and the Lord at the sound of the trumpet. Alleluia.

V. The Lord on Sina, in his holy place, ascend-sancto, ascendens in al-

ing on high, hath led captivity captive. Alleluia. tivitatem. Alleluia. GOSPEL. Mark xvi. 14. 20.—At that time:

Jesus appeared to the eleven as they were at table; and he upbraided them with their incredulity and hardness of heart, because they did not believe them who had seen him after he was risen again. And he said to them: Go ye into the whole world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized, shall be saved: but he that believeth not shall be condemned. And these signs shall follow them that believe: In my name they shall cast out devils: they shall speak with new tongues: they shall take up serpents: and if they shall drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them: they shall lay their hands upon the sick and they shall recover. And the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven, and sitteth on the right-hand of God. But they going preached every where: the Lord working withal, and confirming the word with signs that followed. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. xlvi.—God is ascended with jubilee, and the Lord with the sound of the trumpet. Allel.

SECRET.—Receive, O Lord, the offerings we make in memory of the glorious ascension of thy Son: and mercifully grant, that we may be both delivered from present danger, and arrive at ever-

lasting life. Thro' the same.

COMMUNICANTES.—Being united in communion, and celebrating the most sacred day on which our Lord, thy only begotten Son, placed the substance of our frail nature, which he had taken upon himself, on the right hand of thy glory, and honouring the memory in the first place, &c. as in the Ordinary, p. xxxiv.

COMM. Ps. lxvii.—Sing to the Lord, who hath ascended towards the east, above all the heavens.

Alleluia.

P. COMM. Præsta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O almighty and most merciful God, that we may obtain the invisible effects of the visible mysteries we have received. Thro'.

SUNDAY within the OCTAVE of The ASCENSION.

INTROIT. Psalm xxvi.

HEAR, O Lord, my voice, with which I have cried out to thee. Alleluia. My heart hath said to thee: I have sought thy face: I will seek thy face, O Lord: turn not thy face from me. Allel. Allel. Ps. The Lord is my light and my salvation: whom shall I fear? V. Glory.

EXAUDI, Domine, vocem meam, qua clamavi ad te. Allel. Tibr dixit cor meum: Quesivi vultum tuam: vultum tuam, Domine, requiram: ne avertas faciem tuam a me. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Ps. Dominus illuminatio mea et salus mea : quem timebo?

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Omnipotens.—O almighty and eternal God, inspire thy servants with true devotion, and grant that we may serve thy divine Majesty with sincere hearts. Thro'.

Commem. of the Ascension, p. 366, by the Collect, Secret, and P. Comm. thereof.

EPISTLE. 1 Peter iv. 7.—Most dearly beloved: Be prudent, and watch in prayers. But before all things have a constant mutual charity among yourselves: for charity covereth a multitude of sins. Using hospitality one towards another without murmuring. As every man hath received grace, ministering the same one to another: as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. If any man speak, let him speak as the words of God. If any man minister, let him do it as of the power which God administereth; that in all things God may be honoured

though Jesus Christ: to whom is glory and empire for ever and ever. Amen.

Alleluia, Alleluia. V. The Lord hath extended his empire over all nations: God sitteth on his holy throne. Alleluia.

V. I will not leave you orphans: I am going, orphanos: vado, et venio but I will come to you ad vos, et gaudebit cor again, and your hearts vestrum. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. John xv. 26. xvi. 1. 4.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: When the Paraclete cometh whom I vill send you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceedeth from the Father, he shall give testimony of me: and you shall give testimony, because you are with me from the beginning. These things have I spoken to you, that you may not be scandalized. They will put you out of the synagogues: yea the hour cometh, that whosoever killeth you, will think that he doth a service to God. And these things will they do to you, because they have not known the Father, nor me. But these things I have told you: that when the hour shall come, you may remember that I told you of them. Credo.

OFFERT. Ps. xlvi.—God ascended in triumph and the Lord at the sound of the trumpet. Allel.

SECRET.—May these unspotted sacrifices purify us, O Lord! and strengthen our souls with heavenly grace. Thro'.

COMM. John xvii.—Father, when I was with them, I kept those, whom thou gavest me. Allel. now I return to thee: I do not pray that thou mayest take them out of the world, but that thou wouldst keep them from evil. Alleluia, Alleluia.

P. COMM. Repleti.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that we may be always thankful for the sacred gifts with which we have been filled. Thro'.

WHITSUN-EVE.

THE Vigil of Pentecost, like that of Easter, has always been consecrated in a particular manner to fasting and prayer. The primitive Christians, after the usual prayers of the day, spent the greatest part of the night in the Church, and hence originates the word Vigil or Wake.

The Mass, like that of Holy Saturday, is preceded by several Lessons and Tracts out of the Old Testament,

and by the Blessing of the Font.

I. PROPHECY.—In those days: God tempted Abraham, p. 310.

Let us pray. Deus, qui.

GOD, who by this action of thy servant Abraham hast given to mankind an excellent example of obedience; grant us, both to break our perverse wills, and to fulfil thy righteous commands. Thro'.

II. PROPHECY.—In those days: It came to pass in the morning watch and TRACT, Let us sing to

the Lord, p. 312.

Let us pray. Deus, qui primis.

GOD, who, by the light of the New Testament, hast expounded the miracles wrought in the first ages of the world; so that the Red Sea was a figure of the sacred font, and the deliverance of the people out of Egypt did represent the Christian sacraments: grant that all nations who have now obtained the privilege of Israelites by the merit of faith, may be born again by the participation of thy spirit. Thro'.—in unity of the same.

III. PROPHECY.—In those days: Moses wrote,

p. 319, and TRACT, Hear, O ye, p. 320.

Let us pray. Deus glorificatio.

GOD, the glory of the faithful and the life of the righteous, who hast instructed us also by the canticle of thy servant Moses: grant thy mercy to all nations, by giving them happiness and diminishing their frights, that the revenge threatened may turn to their eternal salvation. Thro'

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IV. PROPHECY.—In that day seven women, p. 317, and TRACT, My beloved had, p. 318.

Let us pray. Omnipotens.
ALMIGHTY and Eternal God, who, by thy only Son, hast shewn the care thou takest of thy Church; mercifully cultivate every branch which bringeth forth fruit in that same Christ, who is the true vine, that it may be more fruitful: and let not the thorns of sin prevail against thy faithful, whom thou hast brought out of Egypt by the baptismal font; but protect them by thy holy spirit, that they may be continually enriched by the fruits of good works. Thro' the same—in unity, &c.

V. PROPHECY. Hear, O Israel, p. 314. Let us pray. Deus, qui nobis.

GOD, who hast commanded us, by thy prophets, to relinquish the things of this world, and to hasten to those that are eternal; grant, that by the heavenly inspiration we may comply with what we know thou hast commanded. Thro'.

VI. PROPHECY. In those days: The hand of

the Lord, p. 316.

Let us pray. Domine Deus.

LORD God of Hosts, who raisest up what is fallen, and keepest up what is raised; increase the number of those who are to be renewed by thy holy name: that all who receive holy baptism, may always be governed by thy holy inspirations. Thro'. While the Celebrant goes towards the Font is said the

TRACT, As the hart panteth, as on Holy Saturday, p. 323; but if there be no blessing of the Font then is sung the Litany, p. 359.

MASS on WHITSUN-EVE.

INTROIT. Ezech. xxxvi.

When I shall be acknowledged the Holy One amongst you, I will gather you from all parts of the world; and I will pour upon you clean water, and you shall be cleansed from all your stains: and I will give you a new spirit, Alleluia, Alleluia. Ps. xxxiii. I will for ever bless the Lord: his praise shall be always in my mouth. V. Glory.

The Introit is only said at Private Masses, when

the Prophecies, &c. have been omitted.

COLLECT. Presta, quesumus.—Grant, we be-seech thee, O Almighty God, that the rays of thy brightness may shine upon us; and that the light of thy light may, by the power of the Holy Spirit, strengthen the hearts of those who have been born

again by thy grace. Thro' in unity, &c.
LESSON. Acts xix. 1. 8.—In those days: It came to pass while Apollo was at Corinth, that Paul having passed through the upper coasts came to Ephesus, and found certain disciples: and he said to them: Have you received the Holy Ghost since you believed? But they said to him: We have not so much as heard whether there be a Holy Ghost. And he said: In what then were you baptized? Who said: In John's baptism. Then Paul said: John baptized the people with the baptism of penance, saying: That they should believe in him who was to come after him, that is to say, in Jesus. Having heard these things, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. And when Paul had imposed his hands on them, the Holy Ghost came upon them, and they spoke with tongues and prophesied. And all the men were about twelve. And entering into the synagogue, he spoke boldly for the space of three months disputing and persuading concerning the kingdom of God.

Alleluia. V. Praise the Lord, for he is good; and

his mercy endureth for ever.

* TRÁCT. Ps. cxvi.—Praise the Lord, as p. 327. GOSPEL. John xiv. 15 .- At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: If you love me keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he shall give you another Paraclete, that he may abide with you for ever, the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not nor knoweth him: but you shall know him: because he shall abide with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you orphans: I will come to you. Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more. But you see me; because I live, and you shall live. In that day you shall know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me. And he that loveth me, shall be loved of my Father: and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.

OFFERT. Ps. ciii.—Send forth thy Spirit, and they will be created; and thou wilt renew the face of the earth; let the glory of the Lord be for evermore. Alleluia.

The Preface, as in the Ordinary, p. xxxii. Secret and Communicantes, as to-morrow, p. 377 The Hanc Igitur, as on Easter Sunday, p. 331.

COMM. John vii.—The last day of the feast Jesus said: Whoever believeth in me, rivers of living water shall flow from his heart: and this he said of the spirit, which those were to receive who should believe in him, Alleluia, Alleluia.

P. COMM. (Sancti Spiritus) as to-morrow, p. 378

WHIT SUNDAY.

TOOK its name from the circumstances of the newly baptized among our ancestors assisting at Mass in the white garments they yesterday received at the bap tismal font. Its ecclesiastical name Pentecost signifies the fiftieth, because the mystery which it celebrates was accomplished on the fiftieth day after Christ's resurrection. The object of this great festival is, to return thanks to God for the visible descent of the Holy Ghost on the apostles,—the establishment of the new law, and propagation of our holy religion.

Wisd. i. INTROIT.

THE spirit of the Lord hath filled the whole earth, Alleluia: and the whole universe hath heard his voice, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Ps. Let God arise, and his enemies be dispersed: let them who hate him. Ilv before his face.

V. Glory

CPIRITUS Domini re-D plevit orbem terrarum. Alleluia: et hoc quod continet omnia, scientiam habet vocis, Alleluia, Alleluia, Ps. Exurgat Deus, et dissipentur inimici ejus : et fugiant, qui oderunt eum, a facie ejus.

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.-O God, who, by the light of the Holy Ghost, didst this day instruct the hearts of the faithful: grant, by the direction of the same Holy Spirit, that we may relish what is right, and always enjoy his consolation. Thro'-in the unity of the same, &c.

LESSON. Acts ii. 1. 11.—When the days of Pentecost were accomplished, they were all together in one place: and suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a mighty wind coming, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. there appeared to them parted tongues as it were of fire, and it sat upon every one of them: and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they began to speak with divers tongues according as the Holy Ghost gave them to speak. Now there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men out of every nation under heaven. And when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded in mind, because that every man heard them speak in his own tongue. And they were all amazed and wondered, saying: Behold, are not all these, that speak, Galileans, and how have we heard. every man our own tongue wherein we were born? Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and inhabitants of Mesopotamia, Judea, and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia, and Pamphilia, Egypt and the

parts of Lybia about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome Jews also and Proselytes, Cretes and Arabians: we have heard them speak in our own tongues the wonderful works of God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

V. Send forth thy spirit,

V. Ps. ciii. Emitte spiand they shall be created: ritum tuum et creabunand thou wilt renew the tur: et renovabis faciem face of the earth, Alleluia. terræ, Alleluia.

V. * Come, O Holy V. * Veni, Sancte Spi-Ghost, fill the hearts of ritus, reple tuorum corda thy faithful, and kindle in fidelium, et tui amoris in them the fire of thy love. eis ignem accende.

The PROSE.

VENI Sancte Spiritus, et emitte cœlitus lucis tuæ radium.

Veni Pater pauperum, veni dator munerum, veni lumen cordium.

Consolator optime, dulcis hospes animæ, dulce

refrigerium.

In labore requies, in æstu temperies, in fletu solatium.

O lux beatissima, reple cordis intima tuorum fide-

Sine tuo numine, nihil est in homine, nihil est innoxium.

Lava quod est sordidum, riga quod est aridum, sana quod est saucium.

Flecte quod est rigidum, fove quod est frigidum, rege quod est devium.

Da tuis fidelibus, in te confitentibus, sacrum septenarium.

Da virtutis meritum, da salutis exitum, da perenne gaudium. Amen. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. John xiv. 23. 31.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: If any one love me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him.

At this V. * all kneel down at every Mass till Sunday next.

and we will come to him, and will make our abode with him: he that loveth me not, keepeth not my words. And the word which you have heard, is not mine: but the Father's who sent me. These things have I spoken to you, abiding with you. But the Paraclete, the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things, and bring all things to your mind, whatsoever I shall have said to you. Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you: not as the world giveth, do I give unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, nor let it be afraid. You have heard that I have said to you: I go away and I come again to you. If you loved me, you would indeed be glad, because I go to the Father: for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you before it come to pass: that when it shall come to pass, you may believe. I will not now speak many things with you. For the prince of this world cometh, and in me he hath not any thing. But that the world may know that I 'ove the Father: and as the Father hath given me commandment, so do I. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. lxvii.—Confirm, O God, what thou hast wrought in us, from thy holy temple, which is in Jerusalem: kings shall offer presents to thee. Alleluia.

SECRET.—Sanctify, we beseech thee, O Lord, these oblations, and purify our hearts by the light of the Holy Ghost. Thro'—in the unity of, &c.

COMMUNICANTES. Being united in communion, and celebrating the sacred day of Pentecost, on which the Holy Ghost appeared to the apostles under the form of innumerable tongues: and honouring the memory, &c. as in the Ordinary, page xxxiv.

Igitur, as on Easter Sunday, p. 331.

COMM. Acts ii.—Suddenly there came a noise from heaven, as of a strong rushing wind, where they were sitting, Alleluia: and they were all filled I i 3

with the Holy Ghost, and published the wonderful

works of God. Alleluia.

P. COMM. Sancti Spiritus.—May the pouring forth of the Holy Ghost into our hearts cleanse them, O Lord, and render them fruitful by the inward dew of his grace. Thro' our Lord—in the unity of the same, &c.

WHIT MONDAY.

INTROIT. Ps. lxxx.

HE fed them with the fat of wheat, Alleluia: and filled them with honey out of the rock. Allel. Allel. Ps. Rejoice to God, our helper: sing aloud to the God of Jacob.

CIBAVIT eos ex adipe frumenti, Alleluin: et de petra melle saturavit eos. Allel. Allel.

Ps. Exultate Deo adjutori nostro: jubilate Deo

Jacob.

V. Glory.

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who didst give the Holy Ghost to thy apostles, hear the prayers of thy people, that they may enjoy a happy peace, who, by thy grace, have received the gift of true faith.

LESSON. Acts x. 42. 48.—In those days: Peter opening his mouth, said: Brethren, the Lord commanded us to preach to the people, and to testify that it is he who was appointed by God to be judge of the living and of the dead. To him all the prophets give testimony, that through his name all receive remission of sins, who believe in him. While Peter was yet speaking these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them that heard the word. And the faithful of the circumcision, who came with Peter, were astonished, for that the grace of the Holy Ghost was poured out upon the Gentiles also. For they heard them speaking with tongues, and magnifying God. Then Peter answered: Can any man forbid water, that these men should not be baptized,

who have received the Holy Ghost as well as we; And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

V. The apostles pullished in divers tongues the wonderful works of God. Alleluia.

Alleluia Alleluia.

Alleluia, Alleluia, V. Loquebantur variis linguis apostoli magnalia. Dei. Alleluia.

V. * Come, O Holy Ghost, with the Prose, Veni Sancte Spiritus, as in the Mass of Yesterday, p. 376.

GOSPEL. John iii. 16 .- At that time: Jesus said to Nicodemus: God so loved the world, as to give his only begotten Son; that whosoever believeth in him, may not perish, but may have life everlasting. For God sent not his Son into the world, to judge the world, but that the world may be saved by him. He that believeth in him, is not judged. But he that doth not believe is already judged: because he believeth not in the name of the only begotten Son of God. And this is the judgment: because the light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than the light: for their works were evil. For every one that doth evil hateth the light, and cometh not to the light, that his works may not be reproved. But he that doth truth, cometh to the light, that his works may be made manifest, because they are done in God. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. xvii.—The Lord thundered from heaven, and the highest gave his voice: then the

fountains of waters appeared. Alleluia.

SECRET.—Mercifully sanctify, we beseech thee, O Lord, these offerings, and having accepted the oblation of our spiritual victim, make ourselves an offering pleasing to thee. Thro'.

COMM. John xiv.—The Holy Ghost shall teach you, Alleluia, whatever I shall say to you. Alleluia,

Alleluia.

P. COMM. Adesto.—Help, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy people, and defend from the fury of their

enemies, those whom thou hast fed with thy sacred mysteries. Thro'.

WHIT TUESDAY.

INTROIT.—Receive your glory with joy, Alle-luia: giving thanks to God, Alleluia, who hath called you to a heavenly kingdom. Allel. Allel. Allel. Allel. Ps. Attend, O my people, to my law: incline your ears to the words of my mouth. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Adsit.—Assist us, O Lord, we beseech thee, with the power of thy holy spirit, that our hearts may be purified, according to thy mercy, and we defended from all adversities. Thro'.

LESSON. Acts viii. 14. 17.—In those days: When the apostles who were in Jerusalem, had heard that Samaria had received the word of God: they sent to them Peter and John. Who when they were come, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Ghost. For he was not as yet come upon any of them: but they were only baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they haid their hands upon them, and they received the Holy Ghost.

Alleluia, Alleluia. V. The Holy Ghost shall teach

you whatever I shall say to you. Alleluia.

V. * Come, O Holy Ghost, with the Prose, Veni Sancte Spiritus, as on Sunday, p. 376.

GOSPEL. John x. 1. 10.—At that time: Jesus said to the Pharisees: Amen, amen, I say to you: he that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up another way, the same is a thief and a robber. But he that entereth in by the door is the sheepherd of the sheep. To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calletn his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out. And when he hath let out his own sheep, he goeth before them: and the sheep follow him: because they know his voice. But a stranger they follow not, but fly from him, because they know not the voice

of strangers. This proverb Jesus spoke to them. But they understood not what he spoke to them. Jesus therefore said to them again: Amen, amen, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. All others, as many as have come, are thieves and robbers: and the sheep heard them not. I am the door. By me if any man enter in, he shall be saved: and he shall go in, and go out, and shall find pastures. The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to de stroy. I am come that they may have life, and may have it more abundantly. Crepo.

OFFERT. Ps. lxxvii. — The Lord opened for them the gates of heaven, and rained down manna for them to eat: he gave them the bread of heaven, men eat the bread of angels. Alleluia.

SECRET.—May the oblation of this sacrifice purify us, O Lord, we beseech thee, and make us worthy to partake thereof. Thro'.

COMM. John xv.—The Spirit who proceedeth from the Father, Alleluia: shall glorify me. Alleluia Alleluia.

P. COMM. Mentes.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that the Holy Ghost may renew our souls by these divine mysteries, since he is the remission of sin. Thro'—in the unity of the same.

EMBER WEDNESDAY.

INTROIT. Ps. lxvii.—O God, when thou didst go forth in the sight of thy people, making a way for them and dwelling in the midst of them, Alleluia, the earth shook, and the heavens dropped dew, Alleluia, Alleluia. Ps. Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered: let them that hate him flee before his face. V. Glory.

I. COLLEČT. Mentes nostras.—May the Holy Ghost, who proceedeth from thee, enlighten, we besench thee, O Lord, our hearts, and guide us into

all truth according to the promise of thy Son. Who —in unity of the same.

I. LESSON. Acts ii. 14. 21. - In those days: Peter standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice and spoke to them: Ye men of Judea, and all you that dwell in Jerusalem, be this known to you and with your ears receive my words. For these are not drunk, as you suppose, seeing it is but the third hour of the day: But this is that which was spoken of by the prophet Joel: "And it shall come to pass in the last days (saith the Lord) I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. And upon my servants indeed, and upon my handmaids, will I pour out in those days of my spirit, and they shall prophesy. And I will shew wonders in the heaven above, and signs on the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapour of smoke. The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and manifest day of the Lord come. And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord, shall be saved."

Alleluia. V. Ps. xxxii.—By the word of the Lord the heavens were established: and all the power of them by the spirit of his mouth.

II. COLLECT. Presta quesumus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O almighty and most merciful God, that thy holy spirit may defend and dwell in our souls, and so thoroughly purify us, that we may at length become the temple of his glory. Thro'.

From this day to Saturday next inclusively, after the Collect of the day, either the Collect, Ecclesiæ tuæ or Deus omnium is said, together with their respective Secrets and P. Comm. as on the first Sunday of Advent, p. 50, &c.

H. LESSON. Acts v. 12. 16.—In those days: Were many signs and wonders wrought among the people. And they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch. But of the rest no man durst join himself with them; but the people magnified them. And the multitude of men and women that believed in the Lord was more increased: insomuch that they brought forth the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and couches, that when Peter came, his shadow at least might overshadow any of them, and they might be delivered from their infirmities. And there came also together to Jerusalem a multitude out of the neighbouring cities, bringing sick persons, and such as were troubled with unclean spirits, who were all healed.

Alleluia, Alleluia. V.* Come, O Holy Ghost, with the Prose as before, v. 376.

GOSPEL. John vi. 44. 52.—At that time: Jesus said to the multitude of the Jews: No man can come to me except the Father, who hath sent me, draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day. It is written in the prophets: "And they shall all be taught of God." Every one that hath heard of the Father, and hath learned, cometh to me. Not that any man hath seen the Father, but he who is of God, he hath seen the Father. Amen, Amen I say unto you: He that believeth in me hath everlasting life. I am the bread of life. Your fathers did eat manna in the desert, and are dead. This is the bread which cometh down from heaven: that if any man eat of it, he may not die. I am the living bread which came down from heaven. If any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever: and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.

OFFERT. Ps. xviii.—I will meditate on thy commandments, which I have loved very much; and I will put in practice thy commandments, which

I have loved, Alleluia.

SECRET.—Receive, we beseech thee, O Lord, this offering, and grant that we may celebrate with piety these sacred mysteries. Thro'.

COMM. John xiv. I leave you peace, Alleluia. I give you my peace, Alleluia, Alleluia.

P. COMM. Sumentes.—Having, partaken, O Lord, of thy heavenly sacraments, we beseech thy clemency that we may enjoy the effects of the mysteries we celebrate in time, in an eternity of bliss. Thro'.

THURSDAY IN WHITSUN WEEK.

All as on Whit Sunday, p. 375, except.

LESSON. Acts viii. 5. 9.—In those days: Philip going down to the city of Samaria, preached Christ to them. And the people with one accord were attentive to those things, which were said by Philip, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did. For many of them who had unclean spirits, crying with a loud voice went out. And many taken with the palsy, that were lame, were healed. And there was therefore great joy in that city.

GOSPEL. Luke ix. 1. 6.—At that time: Jesus calling together the twelve apostles, he gave them power and authority over all devils, and to cure diseases. And he sent them to preach the kingdom of God, and to heal the sick. And he said to them: Take nothing for your journey, neither staff, nor scrip, nor bread, nor money, neither have two coats. And whatsoever house you shall enter into, abide there, and depart not from thence. And whosoever will not receive you: when you go out of that city, shake off even the dust of your feet for a testimony against them. And going out they went about through the towns preaching the gospel and healing every where. Caepo.

EMBER FRIDAY.

INTROIT. Ps. lxx.—Let my mouth be filled with thy praise, Alleluia: that I may sing, Alleluia: my lips shall rejoice, when, I sing to thee, Alleluia, Alleluia. Ps. In thee, O Lord, have I hoped, let me never be put to confusion: Deliver me in thy justice and rescue me. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Da, quæsumus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O most merciful God, that thy Church, being assembled by thy holy spirit, may in no manner be molested with the disturbance of enemies.

Thro'.

LESSON. Joel ii. 23. 27.—Thus saith the Lord God: And you, O children of Sion, rejoice, and be joyful in the Lord your God: because he hath given you a teacher of justice, and he will make the early and the latter rain to come down for you as in the beginning. And the floors shall be filled with wheat, and the presses shall overflow with wine and oil. And I will restore to you the years which the locust, and the bruchus, and the mildew, and the palmer-worm hath eaten: my great host which I have sent upon you. And you shall eat in plenty and shall be filled: and you shall praise the name of the Lord your God, who hath done wonders with you, and my people shall not be confounded for ever. And you shall know that I am in the midst of Israel: and I am the Lord your God, and there is none besides: and my people shall not be confounded for ever, saith the Lord Almighty.

Alleluia, Alleluia. V. O how good and sweet is the spirit in us, O Lord! Alleluia. V. * Come, O Holy Ghost, &c. with the Prose, p. 376.

GOSPEL. Luke v. 17. 26.—At that time: It came to pass on a certain day, that Jesus sat teach-

ing. And there were Pharisees and doctors of the law sitting by, that were come out of every town of Galilee and Judea and Jerusalem; and the power of the Lord was to heal them. And behold men brought in a bed, a man who had the palsy: and they sought means to bring him in, and to lay him before him. And when they could not find by what way they might bring him in, because of the multitude, they went up upon the roof, and let him down through the tiles with his bed into the midst. before Jesus. And when he saw their faith, he said: Man, thy sins are forgiven thee. And the Scribes and the Pharisees began to think, saving: Who is this who speaketh blasphemies? Who can forgive sins, but God alone? And when Jesus knew their thoughts, answering, he said to them: What is it you think in your hearts? Which is easier to say? Thy sins are forgiven thee; or to say: arise and walk? But that you may know that the Son of Man hath power on earth to forgive sins, (he saith to the sick of the palsy) I say to thee, arise, take up thy bed and go into thy house. And immediately rising up before them, he took up the bed on which he lay; and he went away to his own house, glorifying God. 'And all were astonished; and they glorified God. And they were filled with fear, saving: We have seen wonderful things to-day.

OFFERT. Ps. cxlv.—Praise the Lord, O my soul; whilst I live I will praise the Lord: I will sing praises to my God, while I have a being. Alleluia.

SECRET.—May the sacrifice offered in thy presence, O Lord, be consumed by the same divine fire, by which the Holy Ghost inflamed the hearts of the disciples of Christ thy Son. Thro' the same—in unity of the same.

COMM. John xiv.—I will not leave you orphans:

I will come to you again, Alleluia: and your hearts shall be glad. Alleluia.

P. COMM. Sumpsimus.—Having received, O Lord, these sacred mystic gifts, we humbly beg, that what thou hast ordered us to do in remembrance of thee, may become a help to our weakness. Thro'.

EMBER SATURDAY.

INTROIT. Rom. v.—The love of God is poured into your hearts, Alleluia, by his spirit that dwelleth in us, Alleluia, Alleluia. Ps. cii. Bless the Lord, O my soul: and let all that is within me, praise his holy name. V. Glory.

I. COLLECT.—Enrich, O Lord, our hearts by a plentiful effusion of thy Holy Spirit by whose wisdom we were created, and by whose providence we are governed. Thro'—in unity of the same.

I. LESSON. Joel ii. 28. 32.—Thus saith the Lord God: I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy: your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Moreover upon my servants and handmaids in those days I will pour forth my spirit. And I will shew wonders in heaven: and in earth, blood, and fire, and vapour of smoke. The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood; before the great and dreadful day of the Lord doth come. And it shall come to pass, that every one that shall call upon the name of the Lord, shall be saved. Allelvia.

V. John vi. It is the spirit that giveth life: but the flesh availeth nothing.

II. COLLECT. Illo nos.—Let thy holy spirit, O Lord, we beseech thee, kindle in our breasts that fire, which our Lord Jesus Christ brought on earth, and earnestly desired it should burn. Who livet.

II. LESSON. Lev. xxiii. 9. 21 .- In those days . The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to the children of Israel, and thou shalt say to them: When you shall have entered into the land, which I will give you, and shall reap your corn, you shall bring sheaves of ears, the first-fruits of your harvest, to the priest: who shall lift up the sheaf before the Lord, the next day after the Sabbath, that it may be acceptable for you, and shall sanctify it. You shall count therefore from the morrow after the Sabbath, wherein you offered the sheaf of the firstfruits, seven full weeks, even unto the morrow after the seventh week be expired, that is to say, fifty days, and so you shall offer a new sacrifice to the Lord. Out of all your dwellings, two loaves of the first-fruits, of two tenths of flour leavened, which you shall bake for the first-fruits of the Lord. And you shall call this day most solemn, and most holy. You shall do no servile work therein. It shall be an everlasting ordinance in all your dwellings and generations, saith the Lord Almighty. Allel.

V. Job xxvi. His spirit hath adorned the heavens. III. COLLECT. Deus.—O God, who, for the healing our souls, commanded us to mortify our bodies by fasting: mercifully grant that we may faithfully serve thee both with body and soul. Thro'

III. LESSON. Deut. xxvi. 1. 11.—In those days: Moses said to the children of Israel: Hear, O Israel, what I command you this day: When thou art come into the land which the Lord thy God will give thee to possess, and hast conquered it, and dwellest in it thou shalt take the first of all thy fruits, and put them in a basket, and shalt go to the place which the Lord thy God shall choose, that his name may be invocated there: and thou shalt go to the priest that shall be in those days, and say to him: 1 profess this day before the Lord thy God, who heard us, and looked down upon our affliction, and labour.

and distress; and brought us out of Egypt with a strong hand, and a stretched out arm, with great terror, with signs and wonders: and brought us into this place, and gave us this land, flowing with milk and honey. And therefore now I offer the first-fruits of the land which the Lord hath given me. And thou shalt leave them in the sight of the Lord thy God, adoring the Lord thy God. And thou shalt feast in all the good things which the Lord thy God hath given thee. Alleluia.

V. Acts ii. When the days of Pentecost were

completed, they were all sitting together.

IV. COLLECT. Præstæ, quæsumus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that, being instructed by these holy fasts, we may avoid all vice, and notes

easily obtain thy mercy. Thro'.

IV. LESSON. Lev. xxvi. 3. 12.—In those die 3: The Lord said to Moses: Speak to the children of Israel and say to them: If you walk in my precepts and keep my commandments, and do them. I will give you rain in due season. And the ground shall bring forth its increase, and the trees shall be filled with fruit. The threshing of your harvest shall reach unto the vintage, and the vintage shall reach unto the sowing time; and you shall eat your bread to the full, and dwell in your land without fear. I will give peace in your coasts: you shall sleep, and there shall be none to make you afraid. I will take away evil beasts: and the sword shall not pass through your quarters. You shall pursue your enemies, and they shall fall before you. Five of yours shall pursue a hundred others, and a hundred of you ten thousand: your enemies shall fall before you by the sword. I will look on you, and make you increase: you shall be multiplied, and I will establish my covenant with you. You shall eat the oldest of the old store, and new coming on, you shall cast away the old. I will set my tabernacle in the midst

of you, and my soul shall not east you off. I will walk among you, and will be your God, and you shall be my people, south the Lord Almighty. Allel.

V. * Come, O Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of thy

faithful, and kindle in them the fire of thy love.

V. COLLECT. Præsta quæsumus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that whilst we fast from meat, we may likewise fast from all those vices

to which we are prone. Thro'.

V. LESSON. Dan. iii, 49.—In those days: The angel of the Lord went down with Azarias and his companions into the furnace: and he drove the flame of the fire out of the furnace, and made the midst of the furnace like the blowing of a wind bringing dew, and the fire touched them not at all, nor troubled them, nor did them any harm. Then these three, as with one mouth, praised, and glorified, and blessed God in the furnace, saying: Allelvia.

V. Blessed art thou, O Lord, the God of our fore-

fathers, and worthy of praise for ever.

VI. COLLECT. Deus, qui tribus.—O God, who, in the behalf of the three young men, didst render harmless the flames of fire: mercifully grant, that we, thy servants may not be burnt by the flames of vice. Thro?

Here is said, either the Collect, Eccl. ture, or Deus

omnium, p. 50.

EPISTLE. Rom. v. 1. 5.—Brethren: Being justified by faith, let us have peace with God, through our Lord Jesus Christ. By whom also we have access through faith, into this grace wherein we stand, and glory in the hope of the glory of the sons of God. And not only so: but we glory also in tribulations, knowing that tribulation worketh patience; and patience trial; and trial hope. And hope confoundeth not; because the charity of God is poured forth in our hearts by the Holy Ghost, who is given to us.

TRACT. Ps. cxvi.—Praise the Lord, as p. 327. Prose, Veni Sancte Spiritus, as before, p. 376.

GOSPEL. Luke iv. 38, 44.—At that time: Jesus rising up out of the synagogue, went into Simon's house. And Simon's wife's mother was taken with a great fever: and they be sought him for her .-And standing over her he commanded the fever, and it left her. And immediately rising, she ministered to them. And when the sun was down, all they that had any sick with divers diseases, brought them to him. But he laying his hands on every one of them, healed them. And devils went out from many, crying out and saying: Thou art the Son of God. And he rebuking them suffered them not to speak: for they knew that he was Christ. And when it was day, going out he went into a desart place: and the multitudes sought him, and came unto him: and they stayed him that he should not depart from them. To whom he said: to other cities also, I must preach the kingdom of God: for therefore am I sent. And he was preaching in the synagogues of Galilee. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. lxxxvii.—O Lord God of my salvation, I have cried out to thee day and night: let my prayer, O Lord, come before thee. Alleluia.

SECRET.-To the end that our fasts may be acceptable to thee, O Lord, grant us, we beseech thee, to offer thee a heart purified by the efficacy of this sacrament. Thro'.

COMM. John iii.—The spirit breatheth where he will, and you hear his voice, Alleluia, Alleluia: but you know not when he cometh, nor whither he goeth, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

P. COMM. Prabeant .- - May thy sacred mysteries O Lord, give us divine fervour, that we may joyfully receive both them and their effects. Thro?

TRINITY SUNDAY.

SINCE without a belief of the existence of Three adorable Persons in the Godhead, we cannot be Christians, let us this day beseech Almighty God to strengthen our faith in the mystery of the ever blessed Trinity, and teach us implicitly to submit to whatever other dogma the Church proposes to our belief. us also pray for those, who, taking weak reason for their guide in matters of religion, refuse to believe what God himself has revealed concerning his own incomprehensible Majesty.

INTROIT.

DLESSED be the holy D Trinity and undivided Unity. We will praise it, because it hath shewn his mercy to us.

Ps. O'Lord, our God, how wonderful is thy name over the utmost boundaries of the earth.

TENEDICTA sit sancta D Trinitas, atque indivisa Unitas. Confitebimur ei, quia fecit nobiscum misericordiam suam.

Ps. Domine, Dominus noster, quam admirabile est nomen tuum in univer sa terra.

V. Glory. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Omnipotens.—O almighty and everlasting God who has granted thy servants, in the confession of the true faith to acknowledge the glory of an Eternal Trinity, and in the power of majesty, to adore an Unity: we beseech thee that, by the strength of this faith, we may be defended from all adversity. Thro'.

COLLECT. (Deus, in te,) of the I. Sund. after Pentecost.—O God, the strength of such as hope in thee: mercifully hear us calling on thee: and since mortal weakness can do nothing without thee, grant us the assistance of thy grace; that in observing thy commandments, we may please thee both in will and

Thro'. action.

EPISTLE. Rom. xi. 33. 36.—O the depth of the riches of the wisdom and of the knowledge of God! How incomprehensible are his judgments, and how unsearchable his ways! For who hath known the mind of the Lord? Or who hath been his counsellor? Or who hath first given to him, and recompense shall be made him? For of him, and by him, and in him are all things: to him be glory for ever. Amen.

GRAD. Dan. iii.—Blessed art thou, O Lord, who beholdest the deep, and sittest on the cherubim. V. Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of the heaven, and worthy of praise for ever. Alleluia. Alleluia.

V. Blessed art thou, O
Lord, the God of our mine, Deus Patrum nosFathers, and worthy of trorum, et laudabilis in praise for ever. Alleluia. sæcula. Alleluia.

GOSPEL Matt. xxviii. 18. 20.—At that time. Jesus said to his disciples: All power is given to me in heaven and in earth. Going, therefore, teach all nations: Baptisine them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and behold I am with you all days, even to the consummation of the world. Crepb.

OFFERT.—Blessed be God the Father, and the only begotten Son of God, as likewise the Holy

Ghost; for he has shewn his mercy to us.

SECRET.—Sanctify, we beseech thee, O Lord, our God, by the invocation of thy holy name, the victim of this oblation: and by it make us an eternal offering to thee. Thro'.

SECRET of the I. Sunday after Pentecost.

Mercifully receive, we beseech thee, O Lord, the sacrifice we offer thee, and grant that it may be a continual help to us. Thro'.

COMM.—We bless the God of heaven, and we will praise him in the sight of all the living: because he hath shewn us his mercy.

P. COMM. Proficial.—May the rece ving of this sacrament, O Lord our God, avail us to the salvation of body and soul: together with the confession of an everlasting Holy Trinity, and of the undivided unity thereof. Thro'.

P. COMM. Tantis of the I. Sund. after Pentecost. Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that the great sacrifice we have partaken of, may avail us to salvation, and make us never cease praising thee. Thro.

GOSPEL. of the I. Sund. after Pentecost. Luke vi. 36. 41.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: Be ve merciful, as your Father also is merciful. Judge not, and you shall not be judged. Condemn not, and you shall not be condemned. Forgive, and you shall be forgiven. Give, and it shall be given to you; good measure and pressed down and shaken together and running over shall be given into your bosom. For with the same measure that you shall mete withal it shall be measured to you again. And he spoke also to them a similitude: Can the blind lead the blind? do they not both fall into the ditch? The disciple is not above his master: but every one shall be perfect, if he be as his master. And why seest thou the mote in thy brother's eye; but the beam that is in thy own eve thou considerest not? or how canst thou say to thy brother: Brother, let me pull the mote out of thy eye, when thou thyself seest not the beam in thy own eye? Hypocrite, cast first the beam out of thine own eye. and then thou shalt see clearly to take out the mote from thy brother's eye. Deo gratias.

CORPUS CHRISTL

THIS Festival (instituted about the middle of the thirteenth century by a Bull of *Urban* IV.) was received and confirmed by the General Council of Vienne, anno 1311, in opposition to the errors of some, who then, as well as now, preferred a false philosophy to the belief of all Christians in the preceding ages.

The *Processions* in Catholic countries on this day, and during its Octave, were instituted as triumphs of Christ and his church over the obstinate enemies of this adorable mystery; and as public testimonies of the faith, love and gratitude of the true children of God.

INTROIT. Ps. lxxx.

He fed them with the fat of wheat, Alleluia: and filled them with honey out of the rock. Allel. Allel. Allel. Ps. Exult in God our help; joyfully sing to the God of Jacob. V. Glory.

CIBAVIT eos ex adipe frumenti, Alleluia: et de petra melle saturavit eos. Allel. Allel. Allel.

Ps. Exultate Den adjutori nostro: jubilate Deo Jacob.

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who in this wonderful sacrament, has left us a perpetual memorial of thy Passion; grant us, we beseech thee, so to reverence the sacred mysteries of thy body and blood, that in our souls we may always be sensible of the fruit of the redemption thou hast purchased for us. Who livest.

EPISTLE. 1 Cor. xi. 23.—Brethren: I have received of the Lord, that which also I delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus, the same night in which he was betrayed, took bread, and giving thanks, broke, and said: Take ye, and eat: this is my body which shall be delivered for you: this do for the commemoration of me. In like manner also the chalice, after he had supped, saying: This Chalice is the New Testament in my blood: this do ye, as often as you shall drink it, for the commemoration of me. For as often as you shall eat this bread, and drink this chalice, you shall shew the death of the Lord, until he come. Therefore whosoever shall eat this bread, or drink of the chalice of the Lord unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man prove himself: and so let him ent of that bread, and

drink of the chalice. For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh judgment to himself, not discerning the body of the Lord.

GRAD. Ps. cxliv.—The eyes of all hope in thee, O Lord, and thou givest them food in due season. V Thou openest thy hand, and fillest with thy bles-

sing every living creature. Alleluia. Alleluia.

V. My flesh is truly meat, and my blood is truly drink; he that eateth—my flesh, and drink-eth my blood, remaineth in me, and I in him.

V. Caro mea vere est cibus, et sanguis meus vere est potus: qui manducat meam carnem, et bibit meum sanguinem in me manet, et ego in eo.

The PROSE.

LAUDA, Sion Salvatorem; Lauda Ducem et Pastorem: In hymnis et canticis.

2. Quantum potes, tantum aude; quia major omni laude: nec laudare sufficis.

 Laudis thema specialis: panis vivus et vitalis: hodie proponitur.

4. Quem in sacræ mensa cœnæ; turbæ fratrum duodenæ: datum non ambigitur.

5. Sit laus plena, sit sonora: sit jucunda, sit decora: mentis jubilatio.

- Dies enim solemnis agitur, in qua mensæ prima recolitur hujus institutio.
 - 7. In hæc mensa novi

Regis, novum Pascha novæ legis, phase vetus terminat.

8. Vetustatem novitas, umbram fugat veritas, noctem lux eliminat.

 Quod in cœna Christus gessit, faciendum hoc expressit in sui memoriam.

10. Docti sacris institutis, panem, vinum in salutis consecramus hostiam.

 Dogma datur Christianis, quod in carnem transit panis, et vinum in sanguinem.

12. Quod non capis, quod non vides, animosa firmat fides, præter rerum ordinem.

13. Sub diversis spe-

crebus, signis tantum, et non rebus, latent res eximire.

14. Caro cibus, sanguis potus: manet tamen Christus totus, sub utraque specie.

15. A sumente non concisus, non confractus, non divisus, integer ac-

cipitur.

16. Sumit unus, sumunt mille: quantum isti, tantum ille: nec sumptus consumitur.

- 17. Sumunt boni, sumunt mali: sorte tamen inæquali, vitæ vel interitus.
- 18. Mors est malis, vita bonis, vide paris sumptionis, quam sit dispar exitus!
- 19. Fracto demum sacramento, ne vacilles, sed memento, tantum esse sub fragmento, quantum toto tegitur.

GOSPEL. John vi. 56. 59.—At that time: Jesus said to the multitude of the Jesus: My flesh is meat indeed: and my blood is drink indeed. He that eateth my flesh and drinketh my blood, abideth in me, and I in him. As the living Father hath sent me, and I live by the Father; so he that eateth me, the same also shall live by me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Not as your fathers did eat manna and are dead. He that eat-

eth this bread shall live forever. CREDO.

20. Nulla rei fit scissura: signi tantum fit fractura: qua nec status, nec statura signati minuitur.

21. Ecce panis angelorum, factus cibus viatorum: vere panis filiorum, non mittendus canibus.

22. In figuris præsignatur, cum Isaac immolatur: Agnus Paschæ deputatur; datur Manna Patribus.

23. Bone pastor, panis vere, Jesu nostri miserere: tu nos pasce, nos tuere, tu nos bona fac videre in terra viventium.

24. Tu qui cuncta scis, et vales, qui nos pascis hic mortales: tuos ibi commensales, coheredes et sodales, fac santtorum civium. Amen. Alleluia.

OFFERT. Lev. xii.—The priests of the Lord offer to God incense and loaves: and therefore shall they be holy to their God, and shall not defile his name. Alleluia.

SECRET.—Mercifully grant thy Church, O Lord, we beseech thee, the gifts of Unity and Peace, which are mystically represented in these offerings. Thro'. On this day, and during the Octave, is said the Pre-

face, *Quia per Incarnati, p. xxx. and the same

Mass, unless on a Double.

COMM. 1 Cor. xi.—As often as you shall eat this bread, and drink the chalice, you shall shew the death of the Lord until he come. Whosoever, therefore shall eat this bread, or drink the chalice of the Lord unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and of the blood of the Lord. Allelvia.

P. COMM. Fac nos.—Grant us, O Lord, we beseech thee, the everlasting possession of thyself, as a pledge of which we have received thy body and blood. Who livest.

II. SUNDAY after PENTECOST.

INTROIT. Psalm xvii.

THE Lord hath become my protector, and set me at large: he has saved me, because he loved me. Ps. I will love thee, O Lord, my strength: the Lord is my support, my refuge, and my deliverer. V. Glory.

FACTUS est Dominus protector meus, et educit me in latitudinem: salvum me fecit, quoniam voluit me. Ps. Diligam te Domine, virtus mea: Dominus firmamentum meum et e'ugium meum, et l-berator meus. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Sancti.—Grant us, O Lord, both a constant love and fear of thy holy name: since thou never withdrawest thy protection from those, whom thou solidly groundest in thy love. Thro'.

Here as well as at the Secret, and P. Comm. is made a Commem. of Corous Christi, p. 395.

EPISTLE. 1 John iii. 13. 18.—Dearly beloved: Wonder not if the world hate you. We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not, abideth in death. Whosoever hateth his brother, is a murderer. And you know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in himself. In this we have known the charity of God, because he hath laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. He that hath the substance of this world, and shall see his brother in need, and shut up his bowels from him: how doth the charity of God abide in him? My little children, let us not love in word, nor in tongue, but in deed, and in truth.

GRAD. Ps. cxix.—In my troubles I cried to the Lord: and he heard me. V. Q Lord, deliver my soul from wicked lips and a deceitful tongue. Allel.

V. O Lord my God, in me. Allehuia.

V. Domine Deus meus thee have I put my trust: in te speravi: salvum me save me from those that fac ex omnibus persequenpersecute me, and rescue tibus me, et libera me. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Luke xiv. 16. 24.—At that time: Jesus spoke this parable to the Pharisees: A certain man made a great supper, and invited many, and he sent his servant at the hour of supper to say to them that were invited, that they should come, for now all things are ready. And they began all at once to make excuse. The first said to him: I have bought a farm, and must needs go out and see it: I pray thee, hold me excused. And another said: I have bought five vokes of oxen, and I go to try them: I pray thee, hold me excused. And another said: I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come. And the servant returning told these things to his lord. Then the master of the house being angry, said to his servant: Go out quickly into the L1 2

streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor, and the feeble, and the blind, and the lame.—And the servant said: Lord it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room. And the lord said to the servant: Go out into the high ways and hedges; and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled. But I say unto you, that none of those men that were invited, shall taste of my supper CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. vi.—Turn again, O Lord, and rescue my soul: save me for thy mercies sake.

SECRET.—May this sacrifice offered to thy name purify us, O Lord: and make us every day advance towards a heavenly life. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xi.—I will sing to the Lord, who hath bestowed good things on me: and I will sing a psalm to the name of the Lord, the Most High.

P. COMM. Sumptis.—Having received, O Lord, this sacred oblation, grant, that by frequenting these mysteries we may hasten our salvation.

III. SUNDAY after PENTECOST.

INTROIT. Ps. xxiv.

L OOK thou upon me, and have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am alone and poor: see my abjection and my labour, and forgive meall my sins, O my God. Ps. To thee, O Lord, have I lifted up my soul: In thee, O my God, I place my trust: let me not be ashamed. V. Glory.

RESPICE in me, et miserere mei Domine quoniam unicus et pauper sum ego: vide humilitatem meam, et laborem meum, et dimitte omnia peccata mea, Deus meus. Ps. 4d te Domine, levavi animam meam: Deus meus, in te eonfido, non erubescam. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Protector.-Q. God, the protector

of those who hope in thee, without whose aid nothing is strong, nothing holy: increase thy mercy towards us; that under thy direction and conduct, we may so pass through the blessings of this life, as not to lose those which are eternal. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 1 Peter v. 6. 11.—Dearly beloved:
Be you humbled under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in the time of visitation.
Casting all your care upon him, for he hath care of you. Be sober and watch: because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, goeth about, seeking whom he may devour: whom resist ye, strong in faith; knowing that the same affliction befalls your brethren who are in the world. But the God of all grace, who hath called us into his eternal glory in Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a little, will himself perfect you, and confirm and establish you. To him be glory and empire for ever and ever. Amen.

GRAD. Ps. liv.—Cast thy care upon the Lord: and he shall sustain thee. V. When 1 cried out to the Lord, he heard my voice against those who were coming upon me. Alleluia, Alleluia.

V. God is a just Judge, V. Deus judex justus strong and patient: is fortis et patiens: numquid he angry every day? irascitur per singulos dies?

Alleluia.

Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Luke xv. 1. 10.—At that time: The publicans and sinners drew near unto him to hear him. And the Pharisees and Scribes murmured, snying: This man receiveth sinners and eateth with them. And he spoke to them this parable, saying: What man of you that hath a hundred sheep; and if he shall lose one of them, doth he not leave the ninety-nine in the desart, and go after that which was lost until he find it? And when he hath found it, lay it upon his shoulders rejoicing:

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and coming home call together his friends and neigh bours, saying to them: Rejoice with me, because I have found my sheep that was lost? I say to you, that even so there shall be joy in heaven upon one sinner that doth penance, more than upon ninetynine just who need not penance. Or what woman having ten groats: if she lose one groat, doth not light a candle, and sweep the house, and seek diligently until she find it? And when she hath found it, call together her friends and neighbours, saying: Rejoice with me, because I have found the groat which I had lost? So I say to you, there shall be joy before the angels of God upon one sinner doing penance. Cardo.

OFFERT. Ps. ix.—Let them trust in thee, O Lord, who know thy name: for thou hast not forsaken them that seek thee. Sing ye to the Lord who dwelleth in Sion: for that he hath not forgotten the

prayer of the poor.

SECRET.—Look down, O Lord, on the offerings of thy suppliant Church; and grant that thy faithful may always worthily partake thereof in order to their salvation. Thro'.

COMM. Luke xv.—I say to you: There is joy among the angels of God over one sinner doing

penance.

P. COMM. Sancta.—May thy sacred mysteries, O Lord, which we have received, give us life: and cleansing us from our sins, make us worthy of thy eternal mercy. Thro'

IV. SUNDAY after PENTECOST. INTROIT. Ps. xxvi.

THE Lord is my light, and my salvation, whom shall I fear? The Lord is the protector of my life, of whom shall I

DOMINUS illuminatio mea et salus mea, quem timebo? Dominus defensor vice meæ, a quo trepidabo? Qui tribulan be afraid? My enemies that trouble me have themselves been weakened, and have fallen.

Ps. If armies in camp should stand together against me, my heart shall not fear. V. Glory. me inimici mei, ipsi infir mati sunt et ceciderunt.

Ps. Si consistant adversum me castra; non timebit cor meum.

V. Gloria.

COLL. Da.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that the world, with regard to us, may be governed in peace by thy providence, and thy Church pay her devotions to thee in tranquillity. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Rom. viii. 18. 23.—Brethren: 1 reckon that the sufferings of this time are not worthy to be compared with the glory to come, that shall be revealed to us. For the expectation of the creature waiteth for the revelation of the sons of God. For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him that made it subject, in hope: Because the creature also itself shall be delivered from the servitude of corruption, into the liberty of the glory of the children of God. For we know that every creature groaneth, and travaileth in pain even till now. And not only it, but ourselves also, who have the first fruits of the spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption of the sons of God, the redemption of our body in Christ Jesus our Lord.

GRAD. Ps. lxxviii.—Be merciful, O Lord, to our offences, that the Gentiles may never say: Where now is their God? V. Help us, O Lord, our Saviour; and for the honour of thy name deliver us,

O Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

V. O God, who sittest V. Ps. ix. Deus qui on thy throne, and judgeth judicas sequitatem, esto the poor in distress. Alterbulatione. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Luke v. 1. 11 .- At that time: It

came to pass, that when the multitude pressed upon him to hear the word of God, he stood by the lake of Genesareth. And he saw two ships standing by the lake: but the fishermen were gone out of them and were washing their nets. And going up into one of the ships that was Simon's, he desired him to draw back a little from the land. And sitting he taught the multitudes out of the ship. Now when he had ceased to speak, he said to Simon: Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught. And Simon, answering, said to him: Master, we have laboured all the night, and have taken nothing: but at thy word I will let down the net. And when they had done this, they enclosed a very great multitude of fishes and their net broke. And they beckoned to their partners that were in the other ship, that they should come and help them. And they came and filled both the ships, so that they were almost sinking. Which when Simon Peter saw, he fell down at Jesus's knees, saying: Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord. For he was wholly astonished, and all that were with him, at the draught of the fishes which they had taken. And so were also James and John the sons of Zebedee, who were Simon's partners. Jesus saith to Simon: Fear not: from henceforth thou shalt catch men. And having brought their ships to land, leaving all things they followed him. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. xii.—Enlighten my eyes, that I may never sleep in death; lest the enemy should ever say: I have prevailed over him.

SECRET.—Receive our offerings, we beseech thee, O Lord, and be appeased thereby: and mercifully compel our wills to yield to thee, even when they rebel. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xvii.—The Lord is my support, my

refuge, my deliverer, my God, my helper.

P. COMM. Mysteria.—May the mysteries we have received, both purify and defend us, O Lord, by the efficacy of what they contain. Thro'.

V. SUNDAY after PENTECOST. INTROIT. Psalm xxvi.

HEAR, O Lord, my voice, with which I have cried to thee: be thou my helper; forsake me not, do not thou despise me, O God, my Saviour. Ps. The Lord is my light and my salvation: whom shall I fear?

EXAUDI, Domine, vocem meam, qua clamavi ad te: adjutor meus esto: ne derelinquas me, neque despicias me, Ps. Dominus illuminatio mea, et salus mea; quem timebo? V. Gloria.

V. Glory.

COLLECT. Deus qui.—O God, who hast prepared invisible good things for those that love thee: pour forth into our hearts an affectionate love for thee: that loving thee in all things, and above all things, we may come to the enjoyment of thy promises, which are above whatever we can desire. Thro?

EPISTLE. 1 Peter iii. 8. 15.—Dearly beloved: Be ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another, being lovers of the brotherhood, merciful, modest, humble: not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing, but contrariwise blessing: for unto this you are called, that you may inherit a blessing. "For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile. Let him decline from evil and do good: let him seek after peace, and pursue it: because the eyes of the Lord are upon the just, and his ears unto their prayers: but the countenance of the Lord against them that do evil things." And who is he that can hurt you, if you be jealous of good? But if also you suffer any thing for justice sake

blessed are ye. And be not afraid of their fear, and be not troubled. But sanctify the Lord Christ in your hearts.

GRAD. Ps. lxxxv.—Look down, O God, our protector: look down upon thy servants. V. O Lord God of hosts, hear the prayers of thy servants. Alleluia, Alleluia.

V. O Lord, in thy might shall the king rejoice: and in thy salvation shall he exult exceedingly. Alleluia.

V. Ps. xx. Domine in virtute tua lætabitur rex: et super salutare tuum exultabit vehementer. Aleluia.

Matt. v. 20. 24.—At that time: GOSPEL. Jesus said to his disciples: Unless your justice exceed that of the Scribes and Pharisees, you shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven. You have heard that it was said to them of old: Thou shalt not kill. And whosoever shall kill, shall be in danger of the judgment. But I say to you, that whosoever is angry with his brother, shall be in danger of the judgment. And whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council. And whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire. Therefore, if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there shalt remember that thy brother hath any thing against thee; leave there thy gift before the altar, and go first to be reconciled to thy brother: and then come and offer thy gift. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. xv.—I will bless the Lord who hath given us understanding.

SECRET.—Be appeased, O Lord, by our humble prayers, and mercifully receive these offerings of thy servants: that what each hath offered to the honour of thy name, may avail to the salvation of all.

COMM. Ps. vi.—One thing have I asked of the Lord, and will continue to ask: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

P. COMM. Quos Cælesti.—Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee: that we, whom thou hast fed with this heavenly sacrifice, may be cleansed from our hidden sins, and delivered from the snares of our enemies. Thro.

VI. SUNDAY after PENTECOST.

INTROIT. THE Lord is the strength of his people: the Protector of the Salvation of his anointed. Save, O Lord, thy people, and bless thy inheritance, and govern them for ever. Ps. To thee, O Lord, will I cry out, O my God, be not silent: refuse not to answer me. lest I become like those who descend into the pit. V. Glory.

Ps. xxvii.

D'OMINUS fortitudo
plebis suæ; et Protector salutarium Christi
sui est. Salvum fac populum tuum Domine, et
benedic hæreditati tuæ, et
rege eos usque in sæculum.
Ps. Ad te Domine, clamabo, Deus meus ne sileas a me: ne quando taceas a me, et assimilabor
desendentibus in lacum.

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Deus virtutum.—O God of all power, to whom entirely belongeth whatever is best: implant in our hearts the love of thy name, and grant us an increase of religion that thou mayest improve in us what is good, and preserve what thou thus improvest by the practice of piety. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Rom. vi. 3.—Breihren: All we who are baptized in Christ Jesus, are baptized in his death. For we are buried together with him by baptism unto death: that as Christ is risen from the dead by the glory of the Father so we also may walk in newness of life. For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall also be in the likeness of his resurrection. Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin may be destroyed, and that we may

serve sin no longer. For he that is dead is justified from sin. Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall live also together with Christ. Knowing that Christ, rising again from the dead, dieth now no more, death shall no more have dominion over him. For in that he died to sin, he died once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God. So do you also reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

GRAD. Ps. lxxxix.—Turn to us a little, O Lord, and be appeased with thy servants. V. Lord, thou hast been our refuge from generation to generation. Alleluia. Alleluia.

V. Ps. In thee, O Lord, have I placed my trust, let me never be put to shame: save me by thy justice, and rescue me: bend thine ear to me: make haste to save me. Allehuin.

V. Ps. xxx.—In te, Domine, speravi, non confundar in æternum: in justitia tua libera me et eripe me: inclina ad me aurem tuam: accelera ut eripias me. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Mark viii. 1. 9.—At that time: When there was a great multitude with Jesus, and had nothing to eat: calling his disciples together, he saith to them: I have compassion on the multitude, for behold they have now been with me three days, and have nothing to eat: and if I send them away fasting to their own home, they will faint in the way: for some of them came afar off. And his disciples answered him: From whence can any one fill them here with bread in the wilderness? he asked them: How many loaves have ye? said: Seven. And he commanded the people to sit down on the ground: and taking the seven loaves, giving thanks he broke, and gave to his disciples for to set before them, and they set them before the people. And they had a few little fishes: and he blessed them, and commanded them to be set before them. And they did eat and were filled, and they took up that which was left of the frag-ments, seven baskets. And they that had eaten were about four thousand: and he sent them away CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. xvi.-Perfect thou my goings in thy paths, that my footsteps be not moved: Incline thy ear unto me and hear my words: Shew forth thy wonderful mercies; thou who savest them that trust in thee, O Lord.

SECRET.—Be appeased, Q Lord, by our humble prayers, and mercifully receive the offerings of thy people: and that the vows and prayers of none may be in vain, grant we may effectually obtain what

we ask. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xxvi.-I will go up and sacrifice in his tabernacle, a victim of praise: I will sing and

repeat a psalm to the Lord.

P. COMM. Repleti.—We are filled, O Lord, with thy gifts: grant, therefore, we beseech thee, that we may be cleansed by their efficacy, and strengthened by their aid. Thro'.

VII. SUNDAY after PENTECOST. INTROIT. Ps. xlvi.

CLAP your hands all ✓ ve Gentiles: Shout unto God with the voice of joy. For the Lord is most high, he is terrible: he is a great King over Rex magnus super omnem all the earth. V. Glory. terram. V. Gloria.

OMNES Gentes plaudite manibus: jubilate Deo in voce exultationis. Ps. Quoniam Dominus excelsus, terribilis:

COLLECT. Deus cujus .- O God, whose providence is never deceived in what it appointeth: we humbly beseech thee to remove whatever may be . prejudicial to us: and grant us whatever may be to

the advantage of our souls. Thro'.

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EPISTLE. Rom. vi. 19.—Brethren: 1 speak a human thing, because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as you have yielded your members to serve uncleanness and iniquity unto iniquity; so now yield your members to serve justice, unto sanctification. For when you were the servants of sin, you were free from justice. What fruit therefore had you then in those things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of them is death. But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, you have your fruit unto sanctification, and the end life everlasting. For the wages of sin is death. But the grace of God, life everlasting in Christ Jesus our Lord.

GRAD. Ps. xxxiii.—Come, children, hearken to me: I will teach you the fear of the Lord. V. Come ye to him, and be enlightened: and your faces shall not be confounded. Alleluia, Alleluia.

V. Clap your hands all ye Gentiles: shout unto dite manibus: jubilate God with the voice of joy.

Alleluia.

V. Omnes Gentes plandite manibus: jubilate nois in voce exultationis.

Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. vii. 15. 21.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: Beware of false prophets, who come to you in the clothing of sheep, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. By their fruits you shall know them. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit, and the evil tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can an evil tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit, shall be cut down, and shall be cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits you shall know them. Not every one that saith, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven: but he that doth the will of my Father who is in heaven, he shall enter into the king dom of heaven. Carno.

OFFERT. Dan. iii.—As in holocausts of rams and bullocks, and as in thousands of fat sheep, so let our sacrifice be made in thy sight this day, that it may please thee: for there is no confusion to them that trust in thee, O Lord.

SECRE'T .- O God, who in one perfect sacrifice hast united all the various sacrifices of the law, accept from thy devout servants this sacrifice, and sanctify it by the like blessing as thou didst the offering of Abel: that what each hath offered to thy divine Majesty, may avail to the salvation of all. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xxx.—Bow down thy ear to me:

make haste to deliver me.

P. COMM. - Tua nos.—Grant, O Lord, that the healing efficacy of these thy mysteries may, through thy mercy, free us from all our sins, and bring us to the practice of what is right. Thro'.

VIII. SUNDAY after PENTECOST. INTROIT.* Ps. xlvii.

X7E have received thy mercy, O God, in the midst of thy temple: According to thy name, so also is thy praise unto the ends of the earth: thy Justitia plena est dextera right hand is full of justice. Ps. Great is the Lord, and exceedingly to be praised; in the city of our God, on his holy V. Glory. mountain.

CUSCEPIMUS Deus misericordiam tuan. in medio templi tui: secundum nomen tuum, ita et laus tua in fines terræ: tua. Ps. Magnus Dominus et laudabilis nimis: in civitate Dei nostri, in monte sancto ejus.

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Largire nobis.—Grant us, O Lord, we beseech thee, the spirit of thinking and doing what is right, that we, who cannot even subsist without thee, may live according to thee. Thro'.

* introit for Candlemas-Day also.

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EPISTLE. Rom. viii. 12.—Brethren: We are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the desh. For if you live according to the flesh, you shall die: but if by the spirit you mortify the deeds of the flesh, you shall live. For whosoever are led by the Spirit of God, they are the Sons of God. For you have not received the spirit of bondage again in fear: but you have received the spirit of adop-tion of sons, whereby we cry: Abba, (Father.) For the Spirit himself giveth testimony to our spirit, that we are the sons of God. And if sons, heirs also: heirs indeed of God, and joint heirs with Christ.

GRAD. Ps. xxx.—Be thou unto me a God, a protector, and a place of refuge to save me. V. O God, on thee have I relied; let me never, O Lord, be put to shame. Alleluia, Alleluia.

V. Great is the Lord, V. Magnus Dominus, God, on his holy moun- sancto ejus.

Alleluia.

and exceedingly to be et laudabilis valde, in civi-praised in the city of our tate Dei nostri, in monte Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Luke xvi. 1. 9.—At that time: Jesus spoke to his disciples this parable: There was a certain rich man who had a steward: and the same was accused unto him, that he had wasted his goods. And he called him, and said to him: How is it that I hear this of thee? give an account of thy stewardship: for now thou canst be steward no longer. And the steward said within himself: What shall I do, because my lord taketh away from me the stewardship? To dig I am not able; to beg I am ashamed. I know what I will do, that when I shall be removed from the stewardship, they may receive me into their houses. Therefore calling to-gether every one of his Lord's debtors he said to the first: How much dost thou owe my lord? But he said: A hundred barrels of oil. And he said to him: Take thy bill and sit down quickly, and write fifty? Then he said to another: And how much dost thou owe? Who said: A hundred quarters of wheat. He said to him take thy bill, and write eighty. And the lord commended the unjust steward, forasmuch as he had done wisely: for the children of this world are wiser in their generation, than the children of light. And I say to you: Make unto you friends of the mammon of iniquity, that when you shall fail, they may receive you into everlasting dwellings. Credo.

OFFERT. Ps. xvii.—Thou wilt save the humble people, O Lord: and thou wilt humble the eyes of the proud, for who is God besides thee, O Lord.

SECRET.—Receive, we beseech thee, O Lord, the offerings we bring, which are the gifts of thine own bounty: that these most holy mysteries may, by the power of thy grace, make our conduct in this life holy, and bring us to those joys that will never end. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xxxiii.—Taste, and see, how sweet is the Lord! blessed is the man who putteth his trust in him.

P. COMM. Sit nobis.—May this heavenly mystery, O Lord, renew us both in soul and body: that we may find in ourselves the effects of what we celebrate. Thro'.

IX. SUNDAY after PENTECOST. INTROIT. Ps. liii.

BEHOLD God is my helper, and the Lord is the support of my soul: turn out the evils upon my enemies, and cut them off in thy truth, O Lord, my protector.

ECCE Deus adjuvat me: et Dominus susceptor est animæ meæ: averte mala inimicis meis, et in veritate tua disperde illos protector meus, Domine.

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Ps. Save me, O God, by thy name: and deliver me in thy strength.

V. Glory.

Ps. Deus, in nomine tuo salvum me fac: et in virtute tua libera me. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Pateant.—May the ears of thy mercy, O Lord, be open to the prayers of thy suppliants: and, that they may succeed in their desires, make them ask those things that are agreeable to thee. Thro?

EPISTLE. 1 Cor. x. 6. 13.—Brethren: Let us not covet evil things, as they also coveted. Neither become ve idolaters, as some of them: as it is written: "The people sat down to eat and drink. and rose up to play." Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed fornication, and there fell in one day three-and-twenty thousand. Neither let us tempt Christ: as some of them tempted, and perished by the serpents. Neither do you murmur: as some of them murmured, and were destroyed by the destroyer. Now all these things happened to them in figure: and they are written for our correction, upon whom the ends of the world are come. Wherefore let him that thinketh himself to stand, take heed lest he fall. Let no temptation take hold on you but such as is human. And God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that which you are able: but will make also with temptation issue, that you may be able to bear it.

GRAD. Ps. li.—O Lord, our Lord, how wonderful is thy name over the whole earth! V. For thy majesty is above the heavens. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Ps. Rescue me, O my God, from my enemies: micis meis, Deus meus: and from those that rise et ab insurgentibus in me, up against me, deliver me. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Luke xix. 41 47.—At that time: When he drew near Jerusalem, seeing the city, he wept over it, saying: If thou also hadst known, and that in this thy day, the things that are to thy peace: but now they are hidden from thy eyes. For the days shall come upon thee: and thy enemies shall cast a trench about thee, and compass thee round, and straiten thee on every side, and beat thee flat to the ground, and thy children who are in thee: and they shall not leave in thee a stone upon a stone: because thou hast not known the time of thy visitation. And entering into the temple, he began to cast out them that sold therein, and them that bought. Saying to them: It is written: "My house is the house of prayer: but you have made it a den of thieves." And he was teaching daily in the temple. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. xviii.—The Justices of the Lord are right, rejoicing hearts: and his precepts are sweeter than honey and the honey-comb; and there-

fore doth thy servant observe them.

SECRET.—Grant us, O Lord, we beseech thee, frequently and worthily to celebrate these mysteries: for as many times as this commemorative sacrifice is celebrated, so often is the work of our redemption performed. Thro'.

COMM. John vi.—He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, abideth in me, and I in him, saith

the Lord.

P. COMM. Tui nobis.—May the participation of this thy sacrament, O Lord, we beseech thee, both purify us, and unite us. Thro'.

X. SUNDAY after PENTECOST. INTROIT. Is. xlviii. Ps. liv.

WHEN I cried out, CUM clamarem ad the Lord heard C Dominum, exaudivit

my complaint against those that were coming against me: and he that was before all ages, and will be for ever, humbled them: cast thy care on the Lord, and he will feed thee. Ps. Hear, O God, my prayer, and despise not my petition: look down upon me, and hear me. V. Glory.

vocem meam, ab his que approprinquant mihi: et humitavit eos, qui est ante sæcula, et manet in æternum: jacta cogitatum tuum in Domino, et ipse te enutriet.

Ps. Exaudi, Deus, ora tionem meam, et ne despexeris deprecationem meam: intende mihi, et exaudi me. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who chiefly manifestest thy Almighty power in pardoning and shewing mercy, increase thy goodness towards us: that having recourse to thy promises, we may be partakers of thy heavenly blessing. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 1 Cor. xii. 2. Ib-Brethren: You know that, when you were heathens, you went to dumb idols, according as you were led. Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man, speaking by the spirit of God, saith anathema to Jesus. And no man can say the Lord Jesus, but by the Holy Ghost. Now there are diversities of graces, but the same spirit. And there are diversities of ministries, but the same Lord. And there are diversities of operations, but the same God who worketh all in all. And the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man unto profit. To one indeed, by the Spirit, is given the word of wisdom: and to another, the word of knowledge, according to the same spirit: to another, faith in the same spirit: to another, the grace of healing in one spirit: to another, the working of miracles: to another, prophecy: to another, the discerning of spirits: to another, divers kinds of tongues: to another, interpretation of speeches But in all these things one and the same spirit worketh, dividing to every one according as he will.

GRAD. Ps. xvi.—Guard me, O Lord, as the apple of thine eye: and protect me under the shadow of thy wings. V. Let my cause be tried in thy presence: let my eyes see justice done. Alleluia.

V. A hymn is due to thee, O God, in Sion: Deuth in Sion: et tibi and in Jerusalem shall a reddetur votum in Jerusavow be paid to thee. Al-

leluia.

GOSPEL. Luke xviii. 9. 14.—At that time: Jesus spake this parable to some who trusted in themselves as just, and despised others. Two men went up into the temple to pray: the one was a Pharisee, and the other a Publican. The Pharisee standing, prayed thus with himself: O God, I give thee thanks that I am not as the rest of men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, as also is this publican. I fast twice in the week: I give tithes of all that I possess. And the publican standing afar off would not so much as lift up his eyes towards heaven: but struck his breast, saying: O God be merciful to me a sinner. I say to you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other, because every one that exalteth himself, shall be humbled; and he that humbleth himself, shall be exalted. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. xxiv.—To thee, O Lord, have I raised up my soul: my God, I put my trust in thee, let me not be put to shame: neither let my enemies scoff at me: for none that rely on thee, shall ever be

confounded.

SECRET.—May the sacrifice, we offer, O Lord, be presented before thee: which thou hast appointed to be offered in honour of thy name; and at the same time become a remedy to us. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. l.—Thou wilt accept a sacrifice of righteousness, oblations, and whole burnt-offerings

on thy altar, O Lord.

P. COMM. Quæsumus.—We beseech thee, C Lord our God, that in thy mercy thou wouldst never deprive those of thy help, whom thou continually strengthenest by these divine mysteries. Thro'.

XI. SUND Y after PENTECOST. INTROIT. Ps. lxvii.

GOD in his sanctuary:
God, who maketh
brethren abide together
in concord: he will give
might and strength to
his people. Ps. Let God
arise, and his enemies
shall be dispersed; and
let those that hate him,
flee before his face.

V. Glory.

DEUS in loco sancto suo: Deus qui inhabitare facit unanimes in domo: ipse dabit virtutem et fortiludinem plebi suæ.

Ps. Exsurgat Deus, et dissipentur irimici ejus: et fugiant qui oderunt eum a facie ejus.

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Omnipotens.—O Almighty and eternal God, who, in the abundance of thy goodness, exceedest both the merits and requests of thy suppliants; pour forth thy mercy upon us: and both pardon what our consciences dreadeth, and grant such blessings as we dare not presume to ask. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 1 Cor. xv. 1. 10.—Brethren: 1 make known unto you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you have received, and wherein you stand, by which also you are saved: if you hold fast after what manner I preached unto you, unless you have believed in vain. For I delivered unto you first of all, which I also received: how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures: and that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures: and that he was seen by Cephas; and after that by the eleven. Then was he seen by more than five hundred brethren at once; of whom many remain until this present, and

some are fallen asleep. After that he was seen by James, then by all the apostles: and lost of all, he was seen also by me, as by one born out of due time. For I am the least of the apostles, who am not worthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the Church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am; and his grace in me hath not been void.

GRAD. Ps. xxvii.—My heart trusted in God, and I was relieved: and my body hath recovered its strength: and I will praise him with my whole heart. V. To thee, O Lord, have I cried out: be not silent, O my God, nor depart from me. Alleluia.

V. Ps. Exult in God or hope: joyfully sing Deo adjutori nostro, jubito the God of Jacob: late Deo Jacob: sumite sing a hymn of joy upon the harp. Alleluia.

V. Ps. Exult in God V. Ps. xix. Exultate Deo adjutori nostro, jubito late Deo Jacob: sumite psalmum jucundum cum cithara. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Mark vii. 13. 37. - At that time: Jesus going out of the coast of Tyre, he came by Sidon to the sea of Galilee through the midst of the coast of Decapolis. And they bring to him one deaf and dumb: and they besought him that he would lay his hand upon him. And taking him from the multitude apart, he put his fingers into his ears, and spitting, he touched his tongue; and looking up to heaven, he groaned and said to him: Ephpheta, that is, Be opened. And immediately his ears were opened, and the string of his tongue was loosed, and he spoke right. And he charged them that they should tell no man. But the more he charged them so much the more a great deal did they publish it. And so much the more did they wonder, saying: He hath done all things well; he hath made both the deaf to hear and the dump to speak. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. xxix.—I will extol thee, O Lord,

because thou hast upholden me, and hast not gratified the desire of my enemies against me: Lord, I cried out to thee, and thou didst hear me.

SECRET.—Look down, O Lord, we beseech thee, on our homage: that the offerings we make may be acceptable to thee, and a help to our weakness. Thro'.

COMM. Prov. iii.—Honour the Lord, out of thy substance, and with the first fruits of thy crops: and thy barns shall be filled abundantly, and thy wine-presses shall overflow.

P. COMM. Sentiamus.—May we receive, by the participation of these thy mysteries, we beseech thee, O Lord, help in body and mind: that in the salvation of both we may enjoy the full effect of this heavenly remedy. Thro'.

XII. SUNDAY after PENTECOST. INTROIT. Ps. lxix.

COME to my assistance, O God: O Lord, make haste to help me: let my enemies who seek my soul, be put to shame and confusion.

Ps. Let them be put to flight and shame, who conceive evil against me.

V. Glory.

DEUS in adjutorium meum intende: Domine, ad adjuvandum me festina: confundantur et revereantur inimici mei, qui querunt animam meam.

Ps. Avertantur retrorsum et erubescant, qui cogitant mihi mala.

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Omnipotens.—O Almighty and merciful God, from whose gift it proceedeth that thy people worthily serve thee; grant we beseech thee, that we may run on, without stumbling, to the obtaining the effects of thy promises. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 2 Cor. iii. 4.9.—Brethren: We have confidence through Christ towards God: not that

we are sufficient to think any thing of ourselves as of ourselves: but our sufficiency is from God. Who also hath made us fit ministers of the New Testament, not in the letter but in the spirit. For the letter killeth: but the spirit quickeneth. Now if the ministration of death, engraven with letters upon stones, was glorious, so that the children of Israel could not steadfastly behold the face of Moses, for the glory of his countenance, which is made void: how shall not the ministration of the Spirit be rather in glory? For if the ministration of condemnation be glory, much more the ministration of justice aboundeth in glory.

GRAD. Ps. xxxiii.—I will bless the Lord at all times: his praise shall be always in my mouth. V. In the Lord shall my soul be praised: let the

meek hear and rejoice. Alleluia, Alleluia.

V. O Lord, the God of V. Domine, Deus samy salvation. I have lutis meæ: in die clacried in the day and in the mavi, et nocte coram te.

night before thee. Allel. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Luke x. 23. 37.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: Blessed are the eyes that see the things which you see. For I say to you, that many prophets and kings have desired to see the things that you see, and have not seen them; and to hear the things that you hear, and have not heard them. And behold a certain lawyer stood up, tempting him: and saying: Master, what must I do to possess eternal life? But he said to him: What is written in the law? how readest thou? He answering said: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with thy whole heart, and with thy whole soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself." And he said to him: Thou hast answered right: this do and thou shalt live. But he willing to justify himself, said to Jesus: and who is my neighbour? And Jesus answering.

said: A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among robbers, who had stripped him, and having wounded him went away leaving hun half dead. And it chanced that a certain priest went down the same way: and seeing him, passed by. In like manner also a Levite, when he was near the place, and saw him, passed by. But a certain Samaritan being on his journey, came near him; and seeing him, was moved with compassion. And going up to him, bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine: and setting him upon his own beast brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And the next day he took out two pieces, and gave to the host, and said: Take care of him; and whatsoever thou shalt spend over and above, I at my return will repay thee. Which of these three in thy opinion was neighbour to him that fell among robbers? But he said: He that shewed mercy to him. And Jesus said to him: Go. and do thou in like manner. CREDO.

OFFERT. Exod. xxxii.—Moses prayed in the presence of the Lord his God, and said: Why, O Lord, art thou angry at thy people? Spare the wrath of thy soul: remember Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to whom thou didst swear to give a land flowing with milk and honey: and the Lord was appeased, and did not do the mischief he had threatened his people.

SECRET.—Mercifully look down, O Lord, on the offerings we lay on thy holy altar; that they may be to the honour of thy name, by obtaining pardon for us. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. ci.—The earth, O Lord, shall be filled with the fruit of thy works: that thou mayest bring forth bread from the earth, and that wine may cheer the heart of man: that he may make the face cheerful with oil, and that bread may strengthen man's heart.

P. COMM. Vivificet.—May the sacred participa tion of these thy mysteries, O Lord, we beseech thee, give us life; and be to us both an expiation and protection. Thro'.

XIII. SUNDAY after PENTECOST. INTROIT. Psalm lxxiii.

HAVE regard to thy covenant, O Lord, and abandon not the souls of thy poor: arise, O Lord, judge thine own cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek thee. Ps. Why, O God, hast thou cast us off unto the end: why is thy wrath kindled against the sheep of thy pasture?

RESPICE, Domine, in testamentum tuum, et animas pauperum tuorum ne derelinquas in finem: exurge, Domine, et judica causam tuam, et ne obliviscaris voces quarentium te. Ps. Ut quid, Deus repulisti in finem: iratus est furor tuus super oves pascuæ tuæ?

V. Gloria.

V. Glory.

COLLECT. Omnipotens.—O Almighty and eternal God, grant us an increase of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may deserve what thou promisest, make us love what thou commandest. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Gal. iii. 16.22.—Brethren: To Abraham were the promises made and to his seed. He saith not, and to his seeds as of many: but as of one, and to thy seed, which is Christ. Now this I say, that the testament which was confirmed by God, the law which was made after four hundred and thirty years, doth not disannul, or make the promise of no effect. For if the inheritance be of the law, it is no more of promise. But God gave it to Abraham by promise. Why then was the law? It was set because of transgression, until the seed should come, to whom he made the promise, being ordained by angels in the hand of a mediator. Now

a mediator is not of one: but God is one. Was the law then against the promises of God? God forbid. For if there had been a law given which could give life, verily justice should have been by the law But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by the faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.

GRAD. Ps. lxxii.—Look down, O Lord, on thy covenant, and forget not for ever the souls of thy poor ones. V. Arise, O Lord, judge thy own cause: remember how thy servants are upbraided. Alleluia,

Alleluia.

V. Thou, O Lord, art our refuge from generation to generation. Allel. tione et progenie. Allel.

GOSPEL. Luke xvii. 11. 19.—At that time: As Jesus was going to Jerusalem, he passed through the midst of Samaria and Galilee. And as he entered into a certain town, there met him ten men that were lepers, who stood afar off; and lifted up their voice, saying: Jesus, master, have mercy on us. Whom when he saw he said: Go, shew yourselves to the priests. And it came to pass, that as they went, they were made clean. And one of them when he saw that he was made clean, went back, with a loud voice glorifying God. And he fell on his face before his feet, giving thanks: and this was a Samaritan. And Jesus answering Were not ten made clean, and where are the nine? There is no one found to return and give glory to God, but this stranger. And he said to him: Arise, go thy way; for thy faith hath made thee whole. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. xxxv.—In thee have I put my trust, O Lord: thou art my God, and my life is in thy hands.

SECRET.—Be thou propitious, O Lord, to thy people: and mercifully receive their offerings; that

being appeased thereby, thou mayest grant us pardon, and hear our requests. Thro'.

COMM. Wisd. xvi.-Thou hast given us bread from heaven, O Lord, containing whatever is deli-

cious and sweet.

P. COMM. Sumptis.—May these heavenly mysteries, O Lord, which we have received, advance our eternal redemption. Thro'.

XIV. SUNDAY after PENTECOST. INTROIT. Ps. lxxxiii.

DEHOLD, O God, our D protector: and look on the face of thy Christ: for better is one day in thy courts above thousands. Ps. How lovely are thy tabernacles, O Lord of hosts! My soul longeth and fainteth for the courts of the Lord.

V. Glory.

■)ROTECTOR noster aspice Deus, et respice in faciem Christitui: quia melior est dies una in atriis tuis super millia. Ps. Quam dilecta tabernacula tua, Domine, vir-Concupiscit, et deficit anima mea in atria Domini.

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Custodi,—Preserve, O Lord, we beseech thee, thy Church by thy constant mercy: and since our weak mortality is continually falling without thy assistance, may thy grace withdraw it from what is hurtful, and direct it in the ways of salvation. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Gal. v. 16. 24.—Brethren: Walk in the spirit, and you shall not fulfil the lusts of the flesh. For the flesh lusteth against the spirit; and the spirit against the flesh: for these are contrary one to another: so that you do not the things that you would. But if you are led by the spirit, you are not under the law. Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are, fornication, uncleanness, N n 3

immodesty, luxury, idolatry, witchcrafts, enmities, contentions, emulations, wraths, quarrels, dissensions, sects, envy, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like. Of the which I foretell you, as I have foretold to you, that they who do such things shall not obtain the kingdom of God. But the fruit of the Spirit is charity, joy, peace, patience, benignity, goodness, longanimity, mildness, faith, modesty, continency, chastity. Against such there is no law. And they that are Christ's, have crucified their flesh with the vices and concupiscences.

GRAD. Ps. cxvii.—It is better to trust in the Lord, than to trust in man. V. It is better to hope in the Lord, than to hope in princes. Alleluia.

V. Come let us rejoice V. Venite, exultemus in the Lord; let us joy- Domino; jubilemus Deo fully sing to God our Salutari nostro. Alleluia. Saviour. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. vi. 24. 33.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: No man can serve two masters. For either he will hate the one, and love the other: or he will sustain the one, and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon. Therefore I say to you, be not solicitous for your life, what you shall eat, nor for your body, what you shall put on. Is not the life more than the meat, and the body more than the raiment? Behold the birds of the air, for they neither sow, nor do they reap, nor gather into barns, and your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are not you of much more value than they? And which of you, by taking thought, can add to his stature one cubit? And for raiment why are you solicitous? Consider the lilies of the field how they grow: they labour not, neither do they spin. But I say to you, that not even Solomon in all his glory was arrayed as one of these. And if the grass of the field, which is to-day and tomorrow is cast into the oven, God doth so clothe

how much more you, O ye of little faith? Be not solicitous therefore, saying, what shall we eat, or what shall we drink, or wherewith shall we be clothed? For after all these things do the heathens seek. For your Father knoweth that you have need of all these things. Seek ye therefore first the kingdom of God, and his justice, and all these things shall be added unto you. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. xxxiii.—The angel of the Lord shall encamp round about them that fear him, and shall deliver them: taste and see, that the Lord is sweet.

SECRET.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that this victim of salvation may both cleanse us from our sins, and render thy Majesty propitious to us. Thro'.

COMM. Matt. vi.—Seek first the kingdom of God, and all these things shall be given to you over and above, saith the Lord.

P. COMM. Purificent.—May these thy mysteries, O God, continually purify us and strengthen us: and procure us eternal salvation. Thro'.

XV. SUNDAY after PENTECOST. INTROIT Ps. lxxxv.

DOW down thy ear, O Lord, and hear me: save thy servant, O my God, who hopeth in thee: have merry on me, O Lord, for I have cried to thee all the day. Ps. Give joy to the soul of thy servant: for to thee, O Lord, I have lifted up my soul.

V. Glory.

INCLINA, Domine, aurem tuam ad me, et exaudi me: salvum fac servum tuum, Deus meus, sperantem in te misercre mihi, Domine, quoniam ad te clamavi tota dic. Ps. Letifica animam servi tui: quia ad te, Domine, levavi animam meam.

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Ecclesiam.—May thy continual mercy purify and defend thy church: and since without thee it cannot be safe, may it always be directed by the influence of thy grace. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Gal. v. 25. vi. 1. 10.—Brethren If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit Let us not be made desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another. (Chap. vi.) Brethren, if a man be overtaken in any fault, you, who are spiritual, instruct such a one in the spirit of meekness, considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted. Bear ye one another's burdens: and so you shall fulfil the law of Christ. For if any man think himself to be something, whereas he is nothing. he deceiveth himself. But let every one prove his own work, and so he shall have glory in himself only, and not in another. For every one shall bear his own burden. And let him, that is instructed in the word, communicate to him, that instructeth him, in all good things. Be not deceived, God is not mocked. For what things a man shall sow, those also shall he reap. For he that soweth in his flesh. of the flesh also shall reap corruption. But he, that soweth in the spirit, of the spirit shall reap life everlasting. And in doing good, let us not fail. For in-due time we shall reap not failing, Therefore, whilst we have time, let us work good to all men, but especially to those who are of the household of the faith.

GRAD. Ps. xci.—It is good to give praise to the Lord: and to sing to thy name, O Most High. V. To shew forth thy mercy in the morning, and thy truth in the night. Alleluia, Alleluia.

V. For the Lord is a great God, and a great nus Dominus, et Rex King over all the earth.

Alleluia.

V. Quoniam Deus mag nus Dominus, et Rex magnus super omnem terram. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Luke vii. - Sce p. 202.

OFFERT. Ps. xxxix.—With expectation I have waited for the Lord, and he was attentive to me: and he heard my prayer, and he put a new canticle into my mouth: a hymn to our God.

SECRET.—May thy mysteries, O Lord, preserve us, and always defend us against the attacks of the

devil.

COMM. John vi.—The bread which I will give

is my flesh for the life of the world.

P. COMM. Mentes.—May the efficacy of these divine mysteries, O Lord, possess both our souls and bodies: that their effects, not our own sensuality, may always take the lead in us. Thro'.

XVI. SJNDAY after PENTECOST. INTROIT. Ps. lxxxv.

HAVE mercy on me O Lord, for I have cried to thee all the day: for thou, O Lord, art sweet and mild, and plenteous in mercy to all that call upon thee. Ps. Bow down thy ear, O Lord, and hear me: for I am needy and poor.

V. Glory.

MISERERE mihi, Domine, quoniam ad te clamavi tota die: quia tu, Domine, suavis ac mitis es, et copiosus in misericordia omnibus invocantibus te. Ps. Inclina, Domine, aurem tuam mihi, et exaudi me: quoniam inops et pauper sum ego. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Tua nos.—May thy grace, O Lord, always prevent and follow us; and make us constantly zealous in the practice of good works. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Ephes. iii. 13. 21.—Brethren: I pray you not to faint at my tribulations for you, which is your glory. For this cause I bow my knee to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom all paternity in heaven and earth is named, that he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened by his Spirit with might unto the m-

ward man. That Christ may dwell by faith in you hearts: that being rooted and founded in charity, you may be able to comprehend, with all the saints, wha is the breadth and length, and height and depth: to know also the charity of Christ, which surpasseth al knowledge, that you may be filled unto all the ful ness of God. Now to him who is able to do all things more abundantly than we desire or understand, according to the power that worketh in us: to him be glory in the Church, and in Christ Jesus, unto all generations world without end. Amen.

GRAD. Ps. ci.—The Gentiles, O Lord, shall fear thy name, and all the kings of the earth thy glory. V. For the Lord has built up Sion: and he shall be there seen in his glory. Alleluia, Alleluia.

V. Sing to the Lord a V. Cantate Domino new song; for the Lord canticum novum: quia hath done wonderful mirabilia fecit Dominus. things. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Luke xiv. 1. 11. - At that time: When Jesus went into the house of one of the chief of the Pharisees on the Sabbath-day to eat bread, they watched him. And behold there was a certain man before him that had the dropsy. And Jesus answering, spoke to the lawyers and Pharisees saying: Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath-day? But they held their peace. But he taking him, healed him, and sent him away. And answering them, he said: Which of you shall have an ass or an ox fall into a pit; and will not immediately draw him out on the Sabbath-day? And they could not answer him to these things. And he spoke a parable also to them that were invited, marking how they chose the first seats at the table, saying to them: When thou art invited to a wedding, sit not down in the first place, lest perhaps one more honourable than thou be invited by him; and he that invited thee and him, come and say to thee, Give this man place

and then thou begin with shame to take the lowest place. But when thou art invited, go, sit down in the lowest place: that when he who invited thee cometh, he may say to thee, Friend, go up higher. Then shalt thou have glory before them that sit at table with thee: because every one that exalteth himself, shall be humbled; and he that humbleth himself, shall be exalted. Credo.

OFFERT. Ps. xxxix.—Look down, O Lord, to help me: let them be put to confusion and shame, who seek to take away my life: look down, O Lord, to help me.

SECRET.—Cleanse us, O Lord, we be seech thee, by the efficacy of this sacrifice: and by thy mercy

make us worthy to partake thereof. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. lxx.—I will remember thy justice alone, O Lord: O God, thou hast instructed me from my youth: abandon not me in my old age, and at the end of my life.

P. COMM. Purifica.—Mercifully, O Lord, we beseech thee, purify our souls, and renew them by these holy mysteries; that we may receive help thereby, both while we are in these mortal bodies and hereafter. Thro?

XVII. SUNDAY after PENTECOST. INTROIT. Ps. cxviii.

THOU art just, O Lord, and thy judgment is right: deal with thy servant according to thy mercy. Ps. Blessed are the undefiled in the way: who walk in the law of the Lord. V. Glory.

JUSTUS es, Domine, et rectum judiciumtuum: fac cum servo tuo secundum misericordiam tuam. Ps. Beati immaculati in via: qui ambulant in lege Domine.

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Da, quæsumus.—Grant, we beseech ther, O Lord, that thy people may avoid all con-

tagion of the devil: and with a clean heart follow

thee, the only true God. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Ephes. iv. 1. 6.—Brethren: I who am a prisoner in the Lord, beseech you that you walk worthy of the vocation in which you are called. With all humility and mildness, with patience, supporting one another in charity. Careful to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. One body and one spirit; as you are called in one hope of your calling. One Lord, one faith, one baptism. One God, and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in us all, who is blessed for ever more.

GRAD. Ps. xxxii.—Blessed is the nation that hath the Lord for its God: the people whom he hath chosen for his inheritance. V. By the word of the Lord, and the breath of his mouth, were the heavens formed, and the whole host thereof. Alleluia.

Ps. O Lord, hear my Ps. Domine, exaudi prayer, and let my cry orationem meam, et cla come unto thee. Alle- mor meus ad te pervenial. luia.

Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. xxii. 35. 46.—At that time: The Pharisees come to Jesus: and one of them. a doctor of the law, asked him, tempting them: Master, which is the great commandment of the law? Jesus said to him: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God . with thy whole heart, and with thy whole soul, and with thy whole mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. And the second is like to this: Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments dependeth the whole law and the prophets. And the Pharisees being gathered together, Jesus asked them, saying: What think you of Christ? whose son is he? they say to him: David's. 'He saith to them: How then doth David in spirit call him Lord, saying: The Lord said to my Lord, sit on my right hand until I make thy enemies thy footstool? If David then call him Lord, how is he his son? And no man was able to answer him a word; neither durst any man from that day forth ask him any more questions. CREDO.

OFFERT. Dan. ix.—I Daniel prayed unto my God, saying: Hear, O Lord, the prayers of thy servant: look favourably on thy sanctuary; and mercifully look down upon this thy people, who are called by thy name, O God.

SECRET.—We humbly beseech thy Majesty, O Lord, that the sacred mysteries we celebrate may cleanse us from all past offences, and from those we may hereafter be guilty of. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. lxxv. — Vow ye, and pay to the Lord your God; all you that round about him bring present: to him that is terrible; even to him, who taketh away the spirit of princes; to the terrible with the kings of the earth.

P. COMM. Sanctificationibus.—May our vices be cured, O Almighty God! and an eternal remedy procured for us by these sacred mysteries. Thro.

EMBER WEEK IN SEPTEMBER. WEDNESDAY.

INTROIT. Ps. lxxx.—Rejoice to God our helper: sing aloud to the God of Jacob: take the pleasing psaltery and harp; sound the trumpet in the beginning of the month, for it is a commandment in Israel and a judgment to the God of Jacob. Ps. He gave the commandment to Joseph, when he came out of the land of Egypt; he heard a tongue which he knew not. V Glory.

After Kyrie eleison, is said,

Let us pray. Let us kneel down. R. Stand up again.

I. COLLECT. Misericordia.—May our weakness, O Lord, we beseech thee, be supported by the relief of thy mercy; that as we are continually decaying

by our own nature, we may be strengthened by thy

goodness. Thro'.

I. LESSON. Amos ix. 13.—Thus saith the Lord God: Behold the days come, when the ploughman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him that soweth seed; and the mountains shall drop sweetness, and every hill shall be tilled. And I will bring back the captivity of my people Israel; and they shall build the abandoned cities; and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, and drink the wine of them; and shall make gardens, and eat the truits of them. And I will plant them upon their own land; and I will no more pluck them out of their land, which I have given them, saith the Lord thy God.

GRAD. Ps. exii.—Who is as the Lord our God, who dwellest on high; and looketh down on the low things in heaven and in the earth? V. Raising up the needy from the earth; and lifting up the poor

out of the dunghill.

II. COLLECT. Presta.—Grant, we be eech thee O Lord, the humble request of thy family; that whilst they observe abstinence from bodily food, their souls may fast from sin. Thro'.

Here is said the II. and III. Collects, as p. xx.

II. LESSON. 2 Esdr. viii. 1. 10.—In those days: All the people were gathered together as one man, to the street which is before the water gate, and they spoke to Esdras the scribe, to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had commanded to Israel. Then Esdras the priest brought the law before the multitude of men and women, and all those that could understand, on the first day of the seventh month. And he read it plainly in the street that was before the water gate, from the morning until midday, before the men and the women, and all those that could understand. And the ears of all the people were attentive to the book. And Esdras the

scribe stood upon a step of wood, which he ir ade to speak upon. And he opened the book before all the neonle, for he was above all the people; and when he had opened it, all the people stood. And Esdras blessed the Lord the great God: and all the people answered: Amen, amen; lifting up their hands. And they bowed down, with their faces to the ground. Now the Levites made silence among the people to hear the law; and the people stood in their place. And they read in the book of the law of God distinctly and plainly to be understood; and they understood when it was read. And Nehemias, and Esdras the priest and scribe, and the Levites who interpreted to all the people, said: This is a holy day to the Lord our God, do not mourn nor weep. For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. And he said to them: Go, eat fat meats, and drink sweet wine, and send portions to them that have not prepared for themselves; because it is the holy day of the Lord, and be not sad, for the joy of the Lord is our strength.

GRAD. Ps. xxxii.—Blessed is the nation, whose God is the Lord; the people, whom the Lord hath chosen for its inheritance. V. By the word of the Lord, the heavens were established; and all the

power of them by the spirit of his mouth.

GOSPEL. Mark ix. 16.—At that time: One of the multitude speaking to Jesus, said: Master, I have brought my son to thee, having a dumb spirit, who, wheresoever he taketh him, dasheth him, and he foameth, and gnasheth with his teeth, and pineth away: and I spoke to thy disciples to cast him out, and they could not. Who answering them, said: O incredulous generation, how long shall I be with you? how long shall I suffer you? bring him unto me. And they brought him. And when he had seen him, immediately the spirit troubled him: and being thrown down upon the ground, he rolled

about foaming. And he asked his father: How long time is it since this hath happened unto him? But he said: From his infancy: and oftentimes hath he cast him into the fire and into waters, to destroy him. But if thou canst do any thing, help us, having compassion on us. And Jesus saith to him: If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth. And immediately the Father of the boy crying out, with tears said: I do believe, Lord: help my unbelief. And when Jesus saw the multitude running together, he threatened the unclean spirit, saying to him: Deaf and dumb spirit, I command thee, go out of him; and enter not any more into him. And crying out, and greatly tearing him, he went out of him, and he became as dead, so that many said: He is dead. But Jesus taking him by the hand, lifted him up; and he arose. And when he was come into the house, his disciples secretly asked him: Why could not we cast him out? And he said to them: This kind can go out by nothing, but by prayer and fasting.

OFFERT. Ps. cxviii.—I will meditate on thy commandments, which I have loved exceedingly; and I will put forth my hands to thy commandments which

I have loved.

SECRET.—May this oblation, O Lord, we beseech thee, cleanse away our sins; and sanct fy both the bodies and souls of thy servants for the celebrat-

ing of this sacrifice. Thro'.

COMM. 2 Esdr. viii.—Eat your fat meats and drink your sweet wine, and send portions to them that have not prepared any for themselves: because it is the holy day of the Lord, and be not sad; for

the joy of the Lord is our strength.

P. COMM. Sumentes.—Having received, O Lord, these heavenly gifts, we humbly beseech thee, that what by thy mercy we celebrate with due homage, we may also receive with dispositions worthy of thy presents. Thro'.

FRIDAY IN EMBER WEEK.

INTROIT. Ps. civ. Let the hearts of them rejoice that seek the Lord: seek ye the Lord, and be strengthened: seek his face evermore. Ps. Give glory to the Lord, and call upon his name: declare his deeds among the Gentiles. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Prasta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that whilst with yearly devotion we keep these holy appointed times, we may be well-pleasing to thee in body and mind. Thro'.

LESSON. Osee. xiv. 2.—Thus saith the Lord: Return, O Israel, to the Lord thy God: for thou hast fallen down by thy iniquity. Take with you words, and return to the Lord and say to him: Take away all iniquity, and receive the good; and we will render the calves of our lips. Assyria shall not save us. we will not ride upon horses, neither will we say any more: the works of our hands are our gods; for thou wilt have mercy on the fatherless that is in thee. I will heal their breaches, I will love them freely; for my wrath is turned away from them. I will be as the dew, Israel shall spring as the lily, and his root shall shoot forth as that of Libanus. branches shall spread, and his glory shall be as the olive-tree; and his smell as that of Libanus. They shall be converted that sit under his shadow. they shall live upon wheat, and they shall blossom as a vine: his memorial shall be as the wine of Libanus. Ephraim shall say, What have I to do any more with idols? I will hear him, and I will make him flourish like a green fir-tree: from me is thy fruit found. Who is wise, and he shall understand these things? prudent, and he shall know these things?-For the ways of the Lord are right, and the just shall walk in them; but the transgressor shall fall in them.

GRAD. Ps. lxxxix.—Turn to us, O Lord, a while

and hear thy servants. V. Lord, thou hast been our refuge from generation to generation.

GOSPEL. Luke vii. 36. 50. as in p. 221.

OFFERT. Ps. cii.—Bless the Lord, O my so il, and never forget all he hath done for thee: and thy

youth shall be renewed like the eagle's.

SECRET.—May the sacrifice we offer on this fast, O Lord, we beseech thee, be well pleasing to thee; that cleansing away our sins, it may make us worthy of thy grace, and bring us to thy eternal promises. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. exviii.—Remove from me reproach and contempt; because I have sought after thy ordinances, O Lord: for thy testimonies are my

meditation.

P. COMM. Quasumus.—We beseech, thee, O almighty God, that while we return thee thanks for what we have received, we may receive those blessings, which are still greater. Thro'.

SATURDAY IN EMBER WEEK.

INTROIT. Ps. xciv.—Come let us adore God, and fall down before the Lord, and weep before the Lord that made us; for he is the Lord our God. Ps. Come let us praise the Lord with joy: let us joyfully sing to God our Saviour. V. Glory.

After Kyrie eleison, is said,

Let us pray. Let us kneel down. R. Stand up again. I. COLLECT.—O Almighty and everlasting God, who, by a wholesome abstinence, healest both body and soul: we humbly beseech thy Majesty, that, being appeased by our prayers and fasts, thou mayest grant us present and future help. Thro?.

I. LESSON. Lev. xxiii. 26.—In those days: The Lord spake to Moses saying: Upon the tenth day of the seventh month shall be the day of atonement; it shall be most solemn, and shall be called holy: and you shall afflict your souls on that day, and

shall offer a holocaust to the Lord. You shall do no servile work in the time of this day; because it is a day of propitiation, that the Lord your God may be merciful unto you. Every soul that is not afflicted on this day, shall perish from among his people: and every soul that shall do any work, the same will I destroy from among his people. You shall do no work therefore on that day: it shall be an everlasting ordinance unto you in all your generations and dwellings. It is a Sabbath of rest, and you shall afflict your souls, beginning on the ninth day of the month: from evening until evening you shall celebrate your Sabbaths, saith the Lord Almighty.

GRAD. Ps. xxviii.—Forgive us, O Lord, our sins: never let the Gentiles say: Where is now their God? V. Help us, O God our Saviour; and for

the honour of thy name O Lord, deliver us.

Let us pray. Let us kneel down. R. Stand up again.

II. COLLECT. Da nobis.—Graut, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that by fasting we may be filled with thy grace; and by abstinence become stronger than all our enemies. Thro'.

II. LESSON. Lev. xxiii. 39. 43.—In those days: The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: From the fiftieth day of the seventh month, when you shall have gathered in all the fruits of your land, you shall celebrate the feast of the Lord seven days, on the first day and the eighth shall be a Sabbath, that is a day of rest. And you shall take to you on the first day the fruits of the fairest tree, and branches of palm trees, and boughs of thick trees, and willows of the brook, and you shall rejoice before the Lord your God. And you shall keep the solemnity thereof seven days in the year. It shall be an everlasting ordinance in your generations. In the seventh month shall you celebrate this feast. And you shall dwell in bowers seven days, every one that is of the race of Israel, shall dwell in tabernacles: that your pos-

terity may know that I made the children of Israe to dwell in tabernacles, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt. I am the Lord your God.

GRAD. Ps. Ixxxiii.-Behold, O God, our Protector, look down on thy servants. V. Lord God of

Hosts, hear the prayers of thy servants.

Let us pray. Let us kneel down. R. Stand up again.

III. COLLECT. Tuere.-Defend, O Lord, we beseech thee, thy family; that by thy bounty, we may obtain those helps of salvation, which, by thy inspiration, we seek after. Thro'.

III. LESSON. Micheas vii. 14.-O Lord our God: Feed thy people with thy rod, the flock of thy inheritance, them that dwell alone in the forest, according to the days of old. The nations shall see, and shall be confounded at all their strength. Who is a God like to thee, who takest away iniquity, and passest by the sin of the remnant of thy inheritance? he will send his fury in no more, because he delighteth in mercy. He will turn again and have mercy on us: he will put away our iniquities; and he will cast all our sins into the bottom of the sea. Thou wilt perform the truth to Jacob, thy mercy to Abraham: which thou hast sworn to our fathers, from the days of old, O Lord our God.

GRAD. Ps. lxxxix.—Turn to us, O Lord, a while, and hear thy servants. V. O Lord, thou hast

been our refuge from generation to generation.

Let us pray. Let us kneel down, R. Stand up again. IV. COLLECT. Prasta.—Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, that we may so abstain from corporeal food, as to fast from all those vices that attack us. Thro'.

IV. LESSON. Zach. viii. 14.- In those drys: The word of the Lord came to me saying: Thus saith the Lord of Hosts: As I purposed to afflict you, when your fathers had provoked me to wrath, and I had no mercy: so turning again, I have thought

in these days to do good to the house of Juca, and Jerusalem: fear not. These then are the things which you shall do: Speak ye truth every one to his neighbour: judge ye truth and judgment of peace in your gates. And let none of you imagine evil in your hearts against his friend: and love not a false oath: for all these are the things that I hate, saith the Lord. And the word of the Lord of Hosts came to me, saying: Thus saith the Lord of Hosts: The fast of the fourth month, and the fast of the fifth, and the fast of the seventh, and the fast of the tenth, shall be to the house of Juda, joy, and gladness, and great solemnities; only love ye truth, and peace, saith the Lord of Hosts.

GRAD. Ps. cxl.—Let my prayer be directed as incense in thy sight, O Lord. V. The lifting up of

my hands, as evening sacrifice.

Let us kneel down. R. Stand up again.

V. COLLECT. Ut nobis.—As it is by thy grace, O Lord, we render thee the tribute of this solemn fast; so grant us, we beseech thee, the favour of thy

mercy and pardon. Thro'.

V. LESSON. Dan. iii. 49.—In those days: The angel of the Lord went down with Azarias and his companions into the furnace: and he drove the flame of the fire out of the furnace, and made the midst of the furnace like the blowing of a wind bringing dew, and the fire touched them not at all, nor troubled them, nor did them any harm. Then these three, as with one mouth, praised and glorified, and blessed God in the furnace saying.

Here follow the Canticle and VI. Collect. pp. 66, 67.

with the Collect, A cunctis, p. xx.

EPISTLE. Heb. ix. 2. 12.—Brethren: The e was a tabernacle made the first, wherein were the candlesticks, and the table, and the setting forth of loaves, which is called the Holy. And after the second veil, the tabernacle, which is called the

Holy of Holies: having the golden censer, and the ark of the testament covered about on every part with gold, in which was a golden pot that had manna, and the rod of Aaron tuat had blossomed, and the tubles of the testament, and over it were the cherubims of glory overshadowing the propitiatory: of which it is not needful to speak now particularly. Now these things being thus ordered; into the first tabernacle the priests indeed always entered, accomplishing the offices of sacrifices. But into the second, the high-priest alone, once a year; not without blood, which he offereth for his own, and the people's ignorance: the Holy Ghost signifying this, that the way into the Holies was not yet made manifest, whilst the former tabernacle was yet standing, Which is a parable of the time then present: according to which gifts and sacrifices are offered, which cannot, as to the conscience, make him perfect that serveth, only in meats and in drinks, and divers washings, and justices of the flesh, laid on them until the time of correction. But Christ being come an highpriest of the good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation: neither by the blood of goats, or of calves, but by his own blood, entered once into the Holies, having obtained eternal redemption.

TRACT. Ps. cxvi.—Praise the Lord all ye nations; praise him all ye people: for his mercy is confirmed upon us; and the truth of the Lord remaineth for ever.

GOSPEL. Luke xiii. 6. 17.—At that time: Jesus spoke to the multitude this parable: A certain man had a fig-tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it, and found none. And he said to the dresser of the vineyard: Behold for these three years I come seeking fruit on this fig-tree, and I find none. Cut it down therefore: why cumbereth it the ground? But he answering said to him:

Lord, let it alone this year also until I dig about it, and dung it. And if happily it bear fruit; but if not, then after thou shalt cut it down. And he was teaching in their synagogue on the Sabbath. And behold there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years: and she was bowed together, neither could she look upwards at all. Whom when Jesus saw, he called her unto him, and said to her: Woman, thou art delivered from thy infirmity. And he laid his hands upon her, and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God. And the ruler of the synagogue (being angry that Jesus had healed on the Sabbath) answering, said to the multitude: Six days there are wherein you ought to work. In them therefore come, and be healed; and not on the Sabbath-day. And the Lord answering him said: Ye hypocrites, doth not every one of you on the Sabbath day loose his ox or his ass from the manger, and lead them to water? And ought not this daughter of Abraham, whom Satan had bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath-day? And when he had said these things, all his adversaries were ashamed: and all the people rejoiced for all the things that were gloriously done by him.

OFFERT. Ps. lxxxvii.—O Lord the God of my salvation, I have cried in the day and in the night before thee: let my prayer come in before thee, O Lord.

SECRET.—Grant, we beseech thee, O almighty God, that the offerings presented before the eyes of thy Majesty, may obtain for us the grace of devotion, and everlasting life. Thro'.

COMM. Lev. xxiii.—In the seventh month you shall keep feasts, because I made the children of Israel dwell in tents, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God.

P. COMM. Perficiant.—May thy sacraments, O Lord effect in us what they contain: that we may

enjoy in reality what we now celebrate in representation. Thro'.

XVIII. SUNDAY after PENTECOST.

INTROIT. Eccles. xxxvi.

OIVE peace, O Lord. to those who patiently wait for thee, that thy prophets may be found faithful: hear the prayers of thy servant, and of thy people Israel.

Ps. I rejoiced at the things that were said to me: we shall go into the

house of the Lord.

A pacem, Domine U sustinentibus te, ut prophetæ tui fideles inveniantur: exaudi preces servi tui, et plebis tuæ Israel.

Ps. Letatus sum in his quæ dicta sunt mihi: in domum Domini ibimus.

V. Gloria.

V. Glory.

COLLECT. Dirigat.—May the influence of thy mercy, O Lord, direct our souls: for without thy help we can do nothing well pleasing to thee. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 1 Cor. i. 4. 8. - Brethren: I give thanks to my God always for you, for the grace of God, that is given you in Christ Jesus; that in all things you are made rich in him, in all utterance, and in all knowledge, as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you. So that nothing is wanting to you in any grace, waiting for the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ. Who also will confirm you unto the end without crime, in the day of the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

GRAD. Ps. cxxi.-I rejoiced at the things that were said to me: we shall go into the house of the Lord. V. Let peace be in thy strength, and abundance in thy towers. Alleluia, Alleluia.

V. The Gentiles shall earth thy glory. Alleluia am tuam. Alleluia.

Timebunt fear thy name, O Lord: nomen tuum, Domine: et and all the kings of the omnes Reges terræ glori-

GOSPEL. Matt. ix. 1. 8 .- At that time: Jesus entering into a boat, he passed over the water and came into his own city. And behold they brought to him one sick of the palsy, lying on a bed. And Jesus seeing their faith, said to the man sick of the palsy: Be of good heart, son, thy sins are forgiven thee. And behold some of the Scribes said within themselves: He blasphemeth. And Jesus seeing their thoughts, said: Why do you think evil in your hearts? Whether it is easier to say, Thy sins are forgiven thee: or to say, Arise and walk. But that you may know that the Son of Man hath power on earth to forgive sins, (then said he to the man sick of the palsy,) Arise, take up thy bed, and go into thy house. And he arose and went into his house. And the multitudes seeing it, feared, and glorified God that gave such power to men. CREDO.

OFFERT. Exod. xxiv.-Moses consecrated an altar to the Lord, offering whole burnt-offerings thereon, and slaying victims: he made an evening sacrifice for a sweet odour to the Lord God in the

sight of the children of Israel.

SECRET .- O God, who by the participation of this august sacrifice makest us partakers of the one supreme divine nature: grant, we beseech thee, that as we know thy truth, so we may shew it by a worthy conduct of life. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xcv.—Bring up sacrifices, and come

into his courts: adore the Lord in his holy court.

P. COMM. Gratias.—Being fed, O Lord, with tois holy sacrifice: we give thee thanks, humbly beseeching thy mercy: that thou wouldst make us worthy of what we have received. Thro'.

XIX. SUNDAY after PENTECOST. INTROIT. Psalm lxxvii.

I AM the Saviour of MALUS populiego sum, my people, saith the Saith Dominus: de qua-

Lord: in whatever distress they call on me, I will hear them: and will be their Lord for ever. Ps. Attend, O my people, to my law, incline your ears to the words of my mouth. V. Glory. cumque tribulatione clamaverint ad me, exaudiam eos: et ero illorum Dominus in perpetuum. Ps. Attendite, popule meus, legem meam: inclinate curem vestram in verba oris mei. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Omnipotens.—O Almighty and merciful God, favourably defend us from all adversity: that being free both in soul and body, we may with security of mind perform thy service. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Eph. iv. 23. 28.—Brethren: Be renewed in the spirit of your mind; and put on the new man, who, according to God, is created in justice, and holiness of truth. Wherefore putting away lying, speak ye the truth every man with his neighbour: for we are members one of another. Be angry and sin not. Let not the sun go down upon your anger. Give not place to the devil. He that stole, let him now steal no more: but rather let him labour working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have something to give to him that suffereth need.

GRAD. Ps. cxl.—Let my prayer be directed as incense in thy sight, O Lord. The lifting up of my hands, as evening sacrifice. Alleluia, Alleluia.

V. Give glory to the Lord, and call upon his name: deliver his deeds among the Gentiles. Allel.

V. Confitemini Domino, et invocate nomen ejus: annuntiate inter Gentes opera ejus. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. xxii. 1. 14.—At that time: Iesus spoke to the Scribes and Pharisees in a parable, saying: The kingdom of heaven is likened to a king, who made a marriage for his son. And he sent his servants, to call them that were invited to the marriage: and they would not come. Again he sent other servants, saying: Tell them that were in-

vited: Behold, I have prepared my dinner; my beeves and fatlings are killed, and all things are ready: come ve to the marriage. But they neglected, and went their ways, one to his farm, and another to his merchandise. And the rest laid hands on his servants, and having treated them contumeliously put them to death. But when the king had heard of in, he was angry, and sending his armies, he destroyed those murderers, and burnt their city. Then he saith to his servants: The marriage indeed is ready; but they that were invited, were not worthy. Go ye therefore into the high-ways; and as many as you shall find, call to the marriage. And his servants going forth into the ways, gathered together all they found, both bad and good: and the marriage was filled with guests. And the king went in to see the guests; and he saw there a man who had not on a wedding garment. And he saith to him: Friend, how camest thou in hither not having on a wedding garment? But he was silent. Then the king said to the waiters: Bind his hands and his feet, and cast him into the exterior darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. For many are called, but few are chosen. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. exxxvii.—If I should walk in the midst of tribulation, thou, O Lord, wilt quicken me: and thou hast stretched forth thy hand against the wrath of my enemies, and thy right hand hath saved me.

SECRET.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that the offerings we bring before thy divine Majesty may avail to our salvation. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. exviii.—Thou hast commanded thy commandments to be kept most diligently: O that my ways may be directed to keep thy justifications.

P. COMM. Tua nos.—May the healing efficacy of these thy mysteries, O Lord, mercifully free us
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from our perverseness, and make us always obedient to thy commandments. Thro'.

XX. SUNDAY after PENTECOST. INTROIT. Dan. iii.

X7IIATEVER thou hast done to us, O Lord, thou hast done by a just judgment: for we have sinned and disobeyed thy commandments: but glorify thy name, and deal with us according to thy great mercy.

Ps.Blessed are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the

Lord. V. Glory.

► MNIA quæ fecisti no-O bis, Domine, in vero judicio fecisti: quia peccavimus tibi, et mandatis tuis non obedivimus: sed da gloriam nomini tuo, et fac nobiscum secundum multitudinem miscricordiæ tuæ.

Ps. exviii. Beati immaculati in via: qui ambulant in lege Domini.

V. Gloria Patri, et Filio, &c.

COLLECT. Largire. -- Favourably grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy servants both pardon and peace; that, being cleansed from the guilt of all their offences, they may serve thee with secure minds. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Eph. v. 15.21.—Brethren: See therefore how you walk circumspectly not as unwise, but as wise: redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Wherefore become not unwise, but understanding what is the will of God. And be not drunk with wine, wherein is luxury, but be ye filled with the holy Spirit, speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns, and spiritual canticles, singing and making melody in your hearts to the Lord: giving thanks always for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to God and the Father. Being subject one to another in the fear of Christ.

GRAD. Ps. cxliv.-The eyes of all hope in thee, O Lord: and thou givest them meat in due season

V. Thou openest thy hand, and fillest with thy blessing every living creature. Alleluia, Alleluia.

V. My heart is ready, O God, my heart is ready: I will sing, and give praise on my glory. Alleluia.

V. Paratum cor meum, Deus, paratum cor meum: cantabo, et psallam tibi, gloria mea. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. John iv. 46. 53.—At that time: There was a certain ruler whose son was sick at Capharnaum. He having heard that Jesus was come from Judea into Galilee, went to him, and prayed him to come down and heal his son: for he was at the point of death. Jesus therefore said to him: Unless you see signs and wonders, you believe not. The ruler saith to him: Lord, come down before that my son die. Jesus saith to him: Go thy way, thy son liveth. The man believed the word which Jesus said to him, and went his way. And as he was going down, his servants met him; and they brought word, saying, that his son lived. He asked therefore of them the hour wherein he grew better. And they said to him: yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him. The father therefore knew that it was at the same hour that Jesus said to him: Thy son liveth; and himself believed, and his whole house. Crepo.

OFFERT. Ps. cxxxvi.—Upon the rivers of Babylon, we sat and wept, when we remembered thee, O Sion.

SECRET.—May these mysteries, O Lord, we beseech thee, procure us a heavenly remedy, and cleanse away the vices of our hearts. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. cxviii.—Remember, O Lord, what thou saidst to thy servant, and by which thou gavest me hopes: this hath comforted me in my distress.

P. COMM. Ut sacris.—That we may be worthy
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of thy sacred gifts, O Lord: grant, we beseech thee, we may always obey thy commandments.

XXI. SUNDAY after PENTECOST.

INTROIT. Esther xiii.

↑ LL things, O Lord, A are in thy power: and no one can resist thy will; for thou madest all things: heaven and earth, and whatever is contained within the compass of the heavens: thou art Lord of all.

Ps. Blessed are the undefiled in the way; who walk in the law of the Lord. V. Glory.

IN voluntate tua, Do-I mine, universa sunt posita : et non est qui possit resistere voluntati tuæ: tu enim fecisti omnia, cælum et terram, et universa quæ cæli ambitu continen tur: Dominus universarum tu es.

Ps. Beati immaculati in via: qui ambulant in lege Domini. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Familiam .- Preserve thy family, O Lord, we beseech thee, by thy constant mercy: that under thy protection, it may be freed from all adver-sity; and by the practice of good works, continue devoted to thy name.

EPISTLE. Ephes. vi. 10. 17.—Brethren; Be strengthened in the Lord, and in the might of his power. Put you on the armour of God, that you inay be able to stand against the deceits of the devil. For our wrestling is not against flesh and blood; but against principalities and powers, against the rulers of the world of this darkness, against the spirit of wickedness in the high places. Therefore take unto you the armour of God, that you may be able to resist in the evil day, and to stand in all things perfect. Stand therefore having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breast-plate of justice, and your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace: in all things taking the shield of faith, wherewith you may be able to extinguish all the fiery darts of the most wicked one. And take unto you the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the spirit, which is the word of God.

GRAD. Ps. lxxxix.—Lord thou hast been our refuge from generation to generation. V. Before the mountains were made, or the earth and the world were formed: thou art God for ever and ever. Allel.

V. When Israel went out of Egypt, the house of Jacob from a barba-

rous people. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. xviii. 23, 35.—At that time: Jesus spoke to his disciples this parable: The kingdom of heaven is likened to a king who would take an account of his servants. And when he had begun to take the account, one was brought to him that owed him ten thousand talents. And as he had not wherewith to pay it, his lord commanded that he should be sold, and his wife and children, and all that he had, and payment to be made. But that servant falling down, besought him, saying: . Have patience with me and I will pay thee all. And the lord of that servant being moved with pity, let him go and forgave him the debt. But when that servant was gone out, he found one of his fellowservants that owed him a hundred pence; and laying hold of him, he throttled him saying: Pay what thou owest. And his fellow-servant falling down, besought him, saying: Have patience with me, and I will pay thee all. And he would not: but went and cast him into prison, till he paid the debt. Now his fellow-servants seeing what was done, were very much grieved, and they came and told their lord all that was done. Then his lord called him, and said to him: Thou wicked servant, I forgave thee all

the debt, because thou besoughtest me: shouldst not thou then have had compassion also on thy fel low-servant, even as I had compassion on thee? And his lord being angry delivered him to the torturers, until he paid all the debt. So also shall my heavenly Father do to you, if you forgive not every one his brother from your hearts. Credo.

OFFERT. Job i.—There was a man whose name was Job, and that man was simple and upright, and fearing God: and Satan asked to tempt him; and power was given him by the Lord over his possessions, and over his flesh: and he destroyed all his substance, and his sons: and he wounded his flesh with a grievous ulcer.

SECRET.—Mercifully receive, O Lord, these offerings, by which thou art pleased to be appeased, and restore us to salvation by thy powerful goodness. Thro.

COMM. Ps. cxviii.—My soul hath looked to be saved by thee, and hath relied on thy word: when wilt thou judge those who persecute me? The wicked ones have long persecuted me, help me, O Lord my God.

P. COMM. Immortalitatis.—Having received the food of immortality, we beseech thee, O Lord, that what we have taken with our mouths we may receive with pure souls. Thro'.

XXII. SUNDAY after PENTECOST. INTROIT. Ps. cxxix.

IF thou, O Lord, wilt mark iniquities; Lord, who shall stand it? For with thee there is propitiation, O God of Israel.

Ps. Out of the depths

S' iniquitates observaveris, Domine, Domine quis sustinebit? Quia apud te propitiatio est, Deus Israel.

Ps. De profundis cla

1 have cried to thee, O mavi ad te, Domine, Do-Lord, Lord hear my mine exaudi vocem meam. voice. V. Glory. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Deus refugium.—O God, our refuge and strength, fountain of all goodness, mercifully give ear to the fervent prayers of thy church, and grant, that what we ask with faith, we may effectually obtain. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Philip. i. 6. 11.—Brethren: We are confident of this very thing, that he who bath begun a good work in you, will perfect it unto the day of Christ Jesus. As it is meet for me to think this for you all: for that I have you in my heart: and that in my bands, and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel you are all partakers of my joy. For God is my witness, how I long after you all in the bowels of Jesus Christ. And this I pray, that your charity may more and more abound in knowledge and in all understanding; that you may approve the better things, that you may be sincere and without offence unto the day of Christ. Filled with the fruit of justice, through Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God.

GRAD. Ps. exxxii.—Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity. V. It is like the precious ointment on the head, that ran down upon the beard of Aaron. Alleluia, Alleluia.

V. They that fear the Lord, hope in him: he is their helper and their protector. Alleluia.

V. Qui timent Dominum sperent in eo: adjutor et protector eorum est. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. xxii. 15. 21.—At that time: The Pharisees going, consulted among themselves how to ensnare Jesus in his speech. And they send to him their disciples, with the Herodians, saying: Master, we know that thou art a true speaker, and

teachest the way of God in truth, neither carest thou for any man: for thou dost not regard the person of men Tell us therefore what thou dost think, is it lawful to give tribute to Cæsar or not? But Jesus knowing their wickedness, said: Why do you tempt me, ye hypocrites? Shew me the coin of the tribute. And they offered him a penny. And Jesus saith to them: Whose image and inscription is this? They say to him Cæsar's. Then he saith to them: Render therefore to Cæsar the things that are Cæsar's: and to God, the things that are God's. Cæedo.

OFFERT. Esther xiv.—Remember me, O Lord, who art above all power; and put a proper speech in my mouth, that my words may be pleasing when I come before the prince.

SECRET.—Grant, O merciful God, that this sacrifice of salvation may constantly both free us from our sins, and protect us from all adversity. Thro.

COMM. Ps. xv.—I cried out, because thou heardest me, O God; bend now thine car, and hear my words.

P. COMM. Sumpsimus.—Having received, O Lord, the sacred mysteries, we humbly beseech thee, that what thou hast ordered us to do in remembrance of thee, may be a help to our weakness. Thro'.

XXIII. SUNDAY after PENTECOST.

Thould there be but 23 Sundays after Pentecost, the Mass of the 24th is said to-day, and this on the preceding Saturday, (if it be neither a double or semi-double) in which case, it is said on some vacant day before it.

THE Lord saith: I entertain thoughts of DICIT Dominus: Ego

pacis, et non afflictionis:

invocabitis me, et ego ex-

audiam vos: et reducam

captivitatem vestram de

terram tuam: avertisti captivitatem Jacob.

Ps. Benedixistr Domine,

cunctis locis.

V. Gloria.

peace, not of affliction: vou shall call on me, and I will hear you: and bring back your captive people from all places.

Ps. Thou, O Lord, hast blessed thy land: thou hast brought back the

captive children of Jacob.

V. Glorv.

COLLECT. Absolve.—Pardon, O Lord, we beseech thee, the sins of thy people: that we may be delivered by thy goodness from the guilt we have

contracted by our own weakness. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Philip. iii. 17. 21. iv. 1. 3 .- Brethren: Be followers of me, and observe them who walk so as you have our model. For many walk, of whom I have told you often (and now tell you weeping) that they are enemies of the cross of Christ; whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is their shame: who mind earthly things. But our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, our Lord Jesus Christ, who will reform the body of our lowness, made like to the body of his glory, according to the operation whereby also he is able to subdue all things unto himself. (Chap. iv.) Therefore, my dearly beloved brethren, and most desired, my joy, and my crown: so stand fast in the Lord, my dearly beloved. I beg of Evodia, and I beseech Syntyche, to be of one mind in the Lord. And I entreat thee also my sincere companion, help those women that have laboured with me in the gospel, with Clement and the rest of my fellow labourers, whose names are in the book of life.

GRAD. Ps. xliii.-Thou hast saved us O Lord from them that afflict us: and hast put them to shame that hate us. V. In God shall we glory all the day long: and in thy name we will give praise

for ever. Alleluia, Alleluia.

V. Out of the depths
I have cried to thee, O
Lord: Lord hear my voice. Alleluia.

V. Ps. cxxix. De profundis clamavi ad te, Domine: Domine, exaudi
vocem meam. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. ix. 18. 26.—At that time: As Jesus was speaking to the multitude: Behold a certain ruler came up, and adored him, saving: Lord, my daughter is even now dead; but come lay thy hand upon her, and she shall live. And Jesus rising up followed him, with his disciples. And behold a woman who was troubled with an issue of blood twelve years, came behind him, and touched the hem of his garment. For she said within herself: If I shall touch only his garment, I shall be healed. But Jesus turning and seeing her, said: Be of good heart, daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour. And when Jesus was come into the house of the ruler, and saw the minstrels and the multitude making a rout, he said: Give place: for the girl is not dead, but sleepeth. And they laughed him to scorn. And when the multitude was put forth, he went in and took her by the hand. And the maid arose. And the fame hereof went abroad into all that country. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. cxxix.—Out of the depths I have cried to thee, O Lord; Lord hear my voice: from

the depths I have cried to thee, O Lord.

SECRET.—We offer thee, O Lord, this sacrifice of praise, as a repeated token of our homage; that thou mayest accomplish in us what thou hast already granted beyond our deserts. Thro'.

COMM. Mark xi.—Amen, I say unto you, all things whatsoever you ask when ye pray, believe that you shall receive: and they shall come unto you.

P. COMM. Quæsumus.—We beseech thee, O

Almighty God, that thou wouldst not leave exposed to the dangers of this life, those whom thou hast joy-fully made partakers of this divine food. Thro'.

Sundays after Pentecost, it is to be observed, that the Mass of the 24th is always said on that Sunday which immediately precedes Advent. When therefore it happens that there are any intervening Sundays between the 23d and the last, the Introit, Gradual, Offertory, and Communion, are taken from the 23d, and the rest of the Mass from the Sundays which were omitted after Epiphany: for instance, if but one Sunday, the Mass is of the 6th after Epiphany; if two, of the 5th and 6th; if three, of the 4th, 5th, and 6th; and if four, of the 3d, 4th, 5th, and 6th.

XXIV. Or last SUNDAY after PENTECOST.

All as on the twenty-third Sunday, except.

COLLECT. Excita.—Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the hearts of thy faithful: that, becoming more zealous in the performance of good works, they may receive from thy goodness more effectual remedies for their disorders. Thro?

EPISTLE. Colos. i. 9. 14.—Brethren: We cease not to pray for you, and to beg that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will, in all wisdom, and spiritual understanding: that you may walk worthy of God, in all things pleasing: being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God: strengthened with all might, according to the power of his glory, in all patience and long-suffering with joy. Giving thanks to God the Father, who hath made us worthy to be parthers of the lot of the saints in light: who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of the Son of his love

In whom we have redemption through his blood, the remission of sins.

GOSPEL. Matt. xxiv. 15.35.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: When you shall see the abomination of desolation, which was spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place: he that readeth, let him understand. Then they that are in Judea, let them flee to the mountains; and he that is on the house-top let him not come down to take any thing out of his house: and he that is in the field, let him not go back to take his coat. And wo to them that are with child, and give suck in But pray that your flight be not in the winter, or on the Sabbath. For there shall be then great tribulation, such as hath not been from the beginning of the world until now, neither shall be. And unless those days had been shortened, no flesh could be saved: but for the sake of the elect. those days shall be shortened. Then if any man shall say to you: Lo here is Christ, or there: do not believe him: For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders, insomuch as to deceive (if possible) even me elect. Behold I have told it you, before hand, if therefore they shall say to you: Behold he is in the desert; go ye not out: Behold he is in the closets, believe it not. For as lightning cometh out of the east, and appeareth even into the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of Man be. Wheresoever the body shall be, there shall the eagles also be gathered together. And immediately after the tribulation of those days, the sun shall be darkened. and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be moved: and there shall appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven: and then shall all tribes of the earth mourn: and they shall see the Son of Man, coming in the clouds of heaven with much power and majesty. And he shall send his angels with a trumpet, and a great voice: and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from the farthest parts of the heavens to the utmost bounds of them. And from the fig-tree learn a parable: when the branch thereof is now tender, and the leaves come forth, you know that summer is nigh. So you also, when you shall see all these things, know ye that it is nigh even at the doors. Amen, I say to you, that this generation shall not pass, till these things be done. Heaven and earth shall pass, but my words shall not pass. CREDO.

SECRET.—Mercifully receive, O Lord, the prayers and offerings of thy people: turn our hearts to thee; that being freed from earthly concupiscence, we may desire heavenly pleasures. Thro'.

P. COMM. Concede.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that whatever vice our souls are subject to may be cured by the virtue of the sacrament we have received. Thro'.

COMMON OF SAINTS.

SINCE the Church of Christ, under the immediate direction of the Holy Ghost, has instituted festivals in honour of the Apostles, Martyrs, Confessors, &c. who, either by their preaching—their miracles—the shedding of their blood, or the purity of their lives, have borne ample testimony to the truth of our holy religion, let us regard them as our Ancestors, from whom the precious inheritance of faith hath descended to us; let us thank God on their several anniversaries, for having made us members of his one, holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church: and whilst we submit our reason and understanding to the sublime mysteries she teaches, let us bend our stubborn wills to the practice of the heavenly precepts she inculcates.

MASS on the VIGIL of an APOSTLE.

INTROIT. Ps. li.—I as a fruitful olive, true
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in the house of the Lord, have hoped in the mercy of my God: and I will wait on thy name, for it is good in the sight of thy saints. *Ps.* Why dost thou glory in mischief, that art mighty in iniquity? *V.* Glory.

COLLECT. Da, quæsumus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that the venerable solemnity of thy blessed apostle N. which we are now preparing to celebrate, may increase our devotion and advance our salvation. Thro'.

LESSON. Eccles. xliv. and xlv.-The blessing of tne Lord is on the head of the righteous man. Therefore did the Lord give him an inheritance, and assign him a part among the twelve tribes; and he found grace in the sight of all flesh. And he made him great to the terror of his enemies, and by his words he tamed monsters. He rendered him glorious in the presence of kings, and gave him his commandments in the sight of his people, and shewed him his glory. For his faith and meekness he sanctified him, and made choice of him among all flesh: and publicly gave him his precepts, and the law of life and discipline, and highly exalted him. settled with him an eternal covenant, and encompassed him with the girdle of righteousness and the Lord hath put on him a crown of glory.

GRAD. Ps. cxi.—The just shall flourish like the palm-tree: he shall grow up like the Cedar of Libanus in the house of the Lord. V. To shew forth thy mercy in the morning, and thy truth in the night.

GOSPEL. John xv. 12. 16.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: This is my commandment, that you love one another, as I have loved you. Greater love than this no man hath, that a man lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends, if you do the things that I command you. I will not now call you servants; for the servant

knoweth not what his lord doth. But I have called you friends: because all things whatsoever I have heard of my Father, I have made known to you. You have not chosen me: but I have chosen you; and have appointed you that you should go, and should bring forth fruit; and your fruit should remain: that whatsoever you shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.

OFFERT. Ps. viii.—Thou hast crowned him with glory and honour, and hast set him over the

works of thy hands, O Lord.

SECRET.—Whilst with respect for the Apostolic dignity, we offer these sacred mysteries, grant, we heseech thee, O Lord, (by the intercession of blessed N. thy Apostle, whose triumphs we are preparing to celebrate) that thy people may ever pray to thee, and obtain their desires. Thro.

COMM. Ps. xx.—His glory is great in thy salvation: glory and great beauty shalt thou lay upon

him.

P. COMM. Sancti.—Being appeased, O Lord, by the prayers of thy holy apostle N. grant us forgiveness, and a remedy against all future relapses. Thro'.

MASS I. Statuit, of a MARTYR and BP.

INTROIT.

Eccles. xlv.

CTATUIT ei Dominus

testamentum pacis, e

principem fecit eum: ut

sit illi Sacerdotii digni

tas in æternum. Ps. Me

mento, Domine, David,

et omnis mansuetudinis

THE Lord settled with him a covenant of peace, and made him a Chief that he might have the honour of Priesthood for ever. Ps. O Lord, remember David, and all his meekness.

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COLLECT. Infirmitatem.—Have regard, O Al Q q 3

mighty God to our weakness; and as we sink under the weight of our doings, let the glorious intercession of blessed N. thy Martyr and Bishop, be a protec-

tion to us. Thro'.

EPISTLE. James i. 12. 18.—Dearly beloved: Blessed is the man that endureth temptation; for when he hath been proved, he shall receive the crown of life, which God hath promised to them that love Let no man, when he is tempted, say that he is tempted by God. For God is not a tempter of evils, and he tempteth no man. But every man is tempted by his own concupiscence, being drawn away and allured. Then when concupiscence hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin. But sin, when it is completed, begetteth death. Do not err therefore, my dearest brethren. Every best gift, and every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no change, nor shadow of alteration. For of his own will hath he begotten us by the word of truth, that we might be some beginning of his creatures.

GRAD. Ps. lxxxviii.—I have found David my servant: with my holy oil I have anointed him: for my hand shall help him; and my arm shall strengthen him. V. The enemy shall have no advantage over him: nor the son of iniquity have power to hurt him. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Ps. cix. Tu es sacerdos in æternum secundum ordinem Melchisedech. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Thou art a priest for ever according to the order of Melchisedech. Alleluia, Alleluia,

After Septuag. instead of Alleluia and V. is said

TRACT. Ps. xx.—Desiderium anima ejus tribuisti ei: et voluntate labiorum ejus non fraudasti eum, &c. Thou hast given him his heart's desire: and hast not withholden from him the will of his lips. V. For thou hast prevented him with blessings of sweetness. V. Thou hast set on his head a crowu of precious stones.

GOSPEL. Luke xiv. 26. 33 .-- At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple. And whosoever doth not carry his cross and come after me, cannot be my disciple. For which of you having a mind to build a tower, doth not first sit down and reckon the charges that are necessary, whether he have wherewithal to finish it: lest after he hath laid the foundation, and is not able to finish it, all that see it begin to mock him saying: This man began to build, and was not able to finish. Or what king about to go and make war against another king, doth not first sit down and think whether he be able with ten thousand, to meet him that with twenty-thousand cometh out against him. Or else whilst the other is vet afar off, sending an embassy, he desireth conditions of peace. So likewise every one of you that doth not renounce all that he possesseth, cannot be my disciple.

OFFERT. Ps. lxxxviii.—My truth and my mercy shall be with him: and in my name shall his horn be exalted.

SECRET.—Mercifully receive, O Lord, the offerings dedicated to thee by the merits of blessed N. thy Martyr and Bishop, and grant they may be a continual support to us. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. lxxxviii.—Once have I sworn by my holiness, and his seed shall endure for ever; and his throne as the sun before me, and as the moon perfect for ever, and a faithful witness in heaven.

P. COMM. Refecti.—Being fed with the participation of thy sacred gifts, we beseech, thee, O Lord our God, that we may feel the efficacy thereof by the intercession of blessed N. thy Martyr and Bishop. whose feast we celebrate. Thro. MASS II. Sacerdotes Dei, of the same.

INTROIT. Dan. iii.

O YE priests of God, bless the Lord: O ye saints and humble of heart, praise God. Ps. O all ye works of the Lord, praise him, and extol him for ever. V. Glorv.

SACERDOTES Dei benedicite Dominum: sancti et humiles corde laudate Deum. Ps Benedicite omnia opera Domini Domino, laudate et superexaltate eum in sæcula. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Deus, qui nos.—O God, who, by the yearly solemnity of blessed N. thy Martyr and Bishop, rejoicest the hearts of thy faithful; mercifully grant that we who celebrate his martyrdom, may enjoy his protection. Thro'

EPISTLE. 2 Cor. i. 3. 7.—Brethren: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort, who comforteth us in all our tribulation; that we also may be able to comfort them who are in all distress. by the exhortation wherewith we also are exhorted by God. For as the sufferings of Christ abound in us, so also by Christ doth our comfort abound .-Now whether we be in tribulation, it is for your exhortation and salvation: or whether we be comforted. ut is for your consolation: or whether we be exhorted, it is for your exhortation and salvation, which worketh the enduring of the same sufferings which we also suffer. That our hope for you may be steadfast: knowing that as you are partakers of the sufferings, so shall you be also of the consolation: in Christ Jesus our Lord.

GRAD. Ps. viii.—Thou hast crowned bim with glory and honour. V. And hast set him over the works of thy hands, O Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Hic est sacerdos, quem coronavit Dominus. Allel.

V. This is the priest whom the Lord hath crowned Alleluia.

After Septuag. instead of Alleluia and V. is said

TRACT. Ps. cxi.—Beatus vir qui timet Dominum; in mandatis ejus cupit nimis, &c. — Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord, in his commandments he delighteth exceedingly. V. His seed shall be mighty upon earth; the generation of the righteous shall be blessed. V. Glory and wealth shall be in his house; and his justice remaineth for ever and ever.

GOSPEL. Matt. xvi. 24. 27.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow me. For he that will save his life, shall lose it: and he that shall lose his life for my sake, shall find it. For what doth it profit a man, if he gain the whole world, and suffer the loss of his own soul? Or what exchange shall a man give for his soul? For the Son of man shall come in the glory of the Father with his angels: and then will he render to every man according to his works.

OFFERT. Ps. lxxxviii.—I have found David, my servant: with my holy oil have I anointed him. For my hand shall help him, and my arm shall strengthen him.

SECRET.—Sanctify, O Lord, the offerings consecrated to thee: and being appeased thereby, mercifully look upon us, by the intercession of blessed N. thy Martyr and Bishop. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xx.—Thou, O Lord, hast set upon his head a crown of precious stones.

P. COMM. Hac nos.—May this communion, O Lord, cleanse us from sin, and, by the intercession of blessed N. thy Martyr and Bishop, make us effectually partakers of this heavenly remedy.

MASS III. In virtute, of a MARTYR not a BISHOP.

INTROIT. Ps. xx.

In thy strength, O Lord, the just shall rejoice: and in thy salvation he shall rejoice exceedingly: thou hast given him his heart's desire.

Ps. For thou hast prevented him with blessings of sweetness: thou hast set on his head a crown of precious stones.

V. Glory.

IN virtute tua, Domine, lætabitur justus: et super salutare tuum exultabit vehementer: desiderium animæ ejus tribuisti ei.

Ps Quoniam prævenisti eum in benedictionibus dulcedinis: posuisti in capite ejus coronam de lapide pretioso.

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Prasta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we, who celebrate the festival of blessed N. thy Martyr, may, by his intercession, be strengthened in the love of thy name.

LESSON. Wisd. x. 10. 14.—The Lord conducted the just man through the right ways, and shewed him the kingdom of God, and gave him the knowledge of the holy things: made him honourable in his labours, and accomplished his labours. In the deceit of them that over-reached him, she stood by him, and made him honourable. She kept him safe from his enemies, and she defended him from seducers, and gave him a strong conflict, that he might overcome, and know that wisdom is mightier than all. She forsook not the just when he was sold, but delivered him from sinners: she went down with him into the pit, and in bands she left him not, till she brought him the sceptre of the kingdom, and power against those that oppressed him: and shewed them to be liars, that accused him, and gave him everlasting glory.

GRAD. Ps. cxi.—Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord: he shall delight exceedingly in his commandments. V. His seed shall be mighty upon earth; the generation of the righteous shall be blessed. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Posuisti Domine, super caput ejus coronam de lapide pretioso. Alleluia.

V. Thou hast set on his head, O Lord, a crown of

precious jewels. Alleluia.

After Septuag. instead of Alleluia and V. is said

TRACT. Desiderium, p. 462.

GOSPEL. Matt. x. 34. 42.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: Do not think that I came to send peace upon earth: I came not to send peace, but the sword. For I came to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter-in-law against her mother-inlaw. And a man's enemies against they of his own household. He that loveth his father or mother more than me, is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me, is not worthy of me. And he that taketh not up his cross, and followeth me, is not worthy of me. He that findeth has life shall lose it: and he that shall lose his life for me, shall find it. He that receiveth you, receiveth me; and he that receiveth me, receiveth him that sent me. He that receiveth a prophet in the name of a prophet, shall receive the reward of a prophet: and he that receiveth a just man in the name of a just man, shall receive the reward of a just man. And whosoever shall give to drink to one of these little ones a cup of cold water only in the name of a disciple, amen, I say to you, he shall not lose his reward.

OFFERT. Ps. viii.—Thou hast crowned him, O Lord, with glory and honour, and hast set him

over the works of thy hands.

SECRET.-Receive, O Lord, we beseech thee, our offerings and prayers: purify us by these heacenty mysteries, and mercifully hear us. Thro'.

COMM. Matt. xvi.-If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, take up his cross and follow me.

P. COMM. Da quæsumus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord our God, that as we rejoice on the feasts of thy saints in this life, so we may enjoy their sight for ever in that which is to come. Thro'.

MASS IV. Lætabitur, of the same. INTROIT. Ps. lxiiii.

THE just man shall re-joice in the Lord, and shall hope in him, and all the upright in heart shall be praised. Ps. Hear, O God, my prayer, when I make supplication to thee: deliver my soul from the fear of the enemy.

LATABITUR justus in Domino, et sperabit in eo: et laudabuntur omnes recti corde. Ps. Exaudi, Deus, orationem meam, cum deprecor: a timore inimici eripe animam meam. V. Gloria.

V. Glory. COLLECT. Præsta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that by the intercession of blessed N. thy Martyr, we may be delivered from all corporal adversities, and our hearts be cleansed from all evil thoughts. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 2 Tim. ii. 8. 10. iii. 10. 12.—Dearly beloved: Be mindful that the Lord Jesus Christ is risen again from the dead, of the seed of David, according to my gospel. Wherein I labour even unto bands, as an evil doer; but the word of God is not bound. Therefore I endure all things for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation, which is in Christ Jesus, with heavenly glory. (Chap. ii.) But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, long-suffering, love, patience, persecutions, afflictions: such as came upon me at Antioch, at Iconium, and at Lystra: what persecutions I endured, and out of

them all the Lord delivered me. And all that will live godly in Jesus Christ, shall suffer persecution.

GRAD. Ps. xxxvi.—When the just man falleth, he shall not be bruised: For the Lord putteth his hand under him. V. He sheweth mercy and lendeth all the day long: and his seed shall be in blessing. Allelura.

V. Qui sequitur me, non ambulat in tenebris sed habebit lumen vitæ æternæ. Alleluia. V. He that followeth me, walketh not in darkness, but shall have

the light of life. Allelvia.

After Septuag. instead of Alleluia and V. is saud TRACT, Beatus, p. 465.

GOSPEL. Matt. x. 26. 33.—At that time. Jesus said to his disciples: Nothing is covered that shall not be revealed, nor hid, that shall not be known. That which I tell you in the dark, speak ye m the light: and that which you hear in the ear, preach ye upon the house tops. And fear ye not them that kill the body, and are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him that can destroy both soul and body into hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing: and not one of them shall fall to the ground without your Father. But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not therefore: better are you than many sparrows. Every one therefore that shall confess me before men, I will also confess him before my Father who is in heaven.

OFFERT. Ps. x.—Thou hast set on his head, O Lord, a crown of precious stones: he asked life of

thee, and thou didst grant him it. Alleluia.

SÉCRET.—May our devotion, O Lord, be acceptable in thy sight: and may this intercession on whose festival we pay it, make it available to our salvation. Thro?

COMM.—Let him who serveth me, follow me; and where I am, there also shall my servants be.

P. COMM. Refecti.—Being fed by the participa-

tion of thy sacred gifts, we beseech thee, O Lord our God, that we may feel the efficacy thereof, by the intercession of blessed N. thy Martyr, whose feast we celebrate. Thro'.

MASS V. Protexisti, of a MARTYR in PASCHAL TIME. INTROIT. Ps. Ixiii.

THOU hast protected me, O God, from the assembly of the malignant, Alleluia: from the multitude of the workers of iniquity. Allel. Allel.

Ps. Hear, O God, my prayer, when I make supplication to thee: deliver my soul from the fear of the enemy. V. Glorv.

PROTEXISTI me, Deus, a conventu malignantium, Alleluia: a multitudine operantium iniquitatem. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Ps. Exaudi, Deus, orationem meam, cum deprecor: a timore inimici eripe animam meam.

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Infirmitatem.—Of a Martyr and Bishop. Have regard, O Almighty God, to our weakness, and, as we sink under the weight of our doings, let the glorious intercession of blessed N. thy Martyr and Bishop, be a protection to us. Thro'.

Another. Deus, qui.—O God, who by the yearly solemnity of blessed N. thy Martyr and Bishop, rejoicest the hearts of thy faithful, mercifully grant that we, who celebrate his martyrdom, may enjoy

his protection. Thro'.

COLLECT. Prasta.—Of a Martyr not a Bishop. Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we who celebrate the festival of blessed N. thy Martyr, may by his intercession, be strengthened in the love of thy name. Thro'.

Another. Prasta quarumus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that by the intercession of blessed N. thy Martyr, we may be delivered from

all temporal adversities, and our hearts be cleansed from all evil thoughts. Thro'.

LESSON. Wisd. v. 1. 5.—The just shall stand with great constancy against those that have afflicted them, and taken away their labours. These seeing it shall be troubled with terrible fear, and shall be amazed at the suddenness of their unexpected salvation, saying within themselves, repenting and groaning for anguish of spirit: These are they whom we had some time in derision, and for a parable of reproach. We fools esteemed their life, madness, and their end without honour. Behold, how they are numbered among the children of God, and their tot is amongst the saints.

Instead of the foregoing Lesson, the EPISTLE, 2 Tim. ii. p. 468, is occasionally read.

Alleluia, Alleluia. V. The heavens shall confess thy wonders, O Lord, and thy truth also in the church of the saints. Alleluia. V. Posuisti Domine, super caput ejus coronam, de lapide pretioso. Alleluia. V. Thou hast set on his head, O Lord, a crown of precious stones. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. John xv. 1. 7.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: I am the true vine; and my Father is the husbandman. Every branch in me, that beareth not fruit, he will take away: and every one that beareth fruit, he will purge it, that it may bring forth more fruit. Now you are clean by reason of the word which I have spoken to you. Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abide in the vine, so neither can you, unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you the branches: he that abideth in me, and I in him, the same beareth much fruit: for without me you can do nothing. If any one abide not in me, he shall be cast forth as a branch, and shall wither, and they shall gather him up, and cast him into the R r 2

fire, and he burneth. If you abide in me, and my word abide in you, you shall ask whatever you will and it shall be done unto you.

OFFERT. Ps. lxxxviii.—The heavens shall confess thy wonders, O Lord: and thy truth in the church of the saints. Allelwia. Allelwia.

SECRET. Of a Martyr and a Bishop.—Mercifully receive, O Lord, the offerings dedicated to then by the merits of blessed, N. thy Martyr and Bishop, and grant they may be a continual support to us. Thro'

Another.—Sanctify, O Lord, the offerings consecrated to thee: and, being appeased thereby mercifully look upon us by the intercession of blessed N.

thy Martyr and Bishop. Thro'.

SECRET. Of a Martyr not a Bishop.—Receive, O Lord, we beseech thee, our offerings and prayers: purify us by those heavenly mysteries, and mercifully hear us. Thro'.

Another.—May our devotion, O Lord, be acceptable in thy sight; and may his intercession, on whose festival we pay it, make it available to our salvation.

Thro'.

COMM. Ps. lxiii.—The just shall rejoice in the Lord, and shall hope in him: and all the upright in heart shall be praised. Alleluia, Alleluia.

P. COMM. Refecti.—Of a Martyr and Bishop. Being fed by the participation of thy sacred gifts, we beseech thee, O Lord, our God, that we may feel the efficacy thereof by the intercession of blessed N. thy Martyr and Bishop. 'Thro'.

Another. Hac nos Communio. — May this communion, O Lord, cleanse us from sin, and by the intercession of blessed N. thy Martyr and Bishop, make us effectually partakers of this heavenly remedy Thro?

P. COMM. Da, quæsumus.—Of a Martyr not a Bishop. Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord our God.

that as we rejoice on the feasts of thy saints in this life, so we may enjoy their sight for ever in that

which is to come. Thro'.

Another. Refecti.—Being fed by the participation of thy sacred gifts, we beseech thee, O Lord our God, that we may feel the efficacy thereof, by the intercession of blessed N. thy Martyr.

MASS VI. Sancti tui, of MANY MARTYRS. INTROIT. Ps. cxliv.

THY saints, O Lord, SANCTI tui, Domine, shall bless thee; and Senedicent te; glospeak of the glory of thy kingdom. Allel. Allel.

Ps. I will extol thee. O God, my king; and bless thy name for ever and

V. Glory. ever.

D benedicent te; gloriam regni tui dicent. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Ps. Exultabo te, Deus, meus rex; et benedicam nomini tuo in sæculum sæculi. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Beatorum.—Of Martyrs and Bishops. We beseech thee, O Lord, that the solemnity of the blessed Martyrs and Bishops N. and N. may be a protection to us, and their venerable prayers recommend us to thy mercy. Thro'.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.-Of Martyrs only. God, by whose favour we celebrate the festival of thy holy Martyrs N. and N. grant we may enjoy their

fellowship in eternal bliss. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 1 Peter i. 3. 7.—Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to his great mercy hath regenerated us into a lively hope, by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, unto an inheritance uncorruptible and undefiled, and that cannot fade, reserved in heaven for you, who by the power of God are kept by faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. Wherein you shall greatly rejoice, if now you must be for a little time made sorrowful in divers temptations; that the trial of your faith, (much more pre-Řr3

cious than gold which is tried by the fire)-may be found unto praise, and glory, and honour, at the

appearing of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Thy saints, O Lord, shall flourish like the lily: and as the sweet perfume of balsam shall they be before thee. Alleluia. V. Pretiosa in conspectu Domini mors sanctorum ejus. Al-leluia, Alleluia. V. Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. John xv. 5. 11.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: I am the vine, you the branches: he that abideth in me, and I in him, the same beareth much fruit: for without me you can do nothing. If any one abide not in me, he shall be cast forth as a branch, and shall wither, and they shall gather him up, and cast him into the fire, and he burneth. If vou abide in me, and my word abide in you, you shall ask whatever you will, and it shall be done unto you. In this is my Father glorified; that you bring forth very much fruit, and become my disciples. As the Father hath loved me, I also have loved you. Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you shall abide in my love; as I also have kept my Father's commandments, and do abide in his love. These things have I spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and your joy may be filled.

OFFERT. Ps. xxxi.—Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice ye just: and glory all ye right of heart. Al-

leluia. Alleluia.

SECRET. Of Martyrs and Bishops.—Attend, O Lord to our earnest prayers, which we put up in memory of thy saints; and since we trust not in our own righteousness, may we be helped by the merits of those, who were well-pleasing to thee. Thro'.

SECRET. Of Martyrs not Bishops.—We bring thee, O Lord, the offerings of our devotion; and may they be acceptable to thee in honour of thy saints. and available to our salvation. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xxxii.—Be glad in the Lord, O ve just, Alleluia: praise becometh the upright. Allel.

P. COMM. Quasumus.—Of Martyrs and Bishops. Being filled with thy saving mysteries, we beseech thee, O Lord, that we may be helped by their intercession, whose festival we celebrate. Thro'.

P. COMM. Præsta nobis.—Of Martyrs not Bishops. Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, by the intercession of thy Holy Martyrs N. and N. that what we have taken with our mouths, we may receive with a pure soul. Thro'.

MASS VII. Intret of MANY MARTYRS. INTROIT. Ps. lxxviii.

LET the sighing, O Lord, of the prisoners come in before thee: render to our neighbours s evenfold in their bosom: revenge the blood of thy saints which hath been shed.

Ps. OGod, the heathers are come into thy inheritance; they have defiled thy holy temple: they have made Jerusalem as a place to keep fruit.

V. Glory.

TNTRET in conspectu 1 tuo, Domine, gemitus compeditorum: redde vicinis nostris septuplum in sinu eorum:

vindica sanguinem sanctorum tuorum, qui effusus est.

Ps. Deus, venerunt Gentes in hæreditatem tuam: polluerunt templum sanctum tuum: posucrunt Jerusalem in pomorum custodiam.

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Beatorum.-We beseech thee, O Lord, that the solemnity of thy blessed Martyrs and Bishops N. and N. may be a protection to us, and their venerable prayers recommend us to thy mercy. Thro'.

LESSON. Wisd. iii. 8.—The souls of the just are in the hand of God, and the torment of death shall not touch them. In the sight of the unwise they seemed to die; and their departure was taken for misery; and their going away from us, for utter destruction: but they are in peace. And though in the sight of men they suffered torments, their hope is full of immortality. Afflicted in few things, in many they shall be well rewarded; because God hath tried them, and found them worthy of himself. As gold in the furnace he hath proved them, and as a victim of a holocaust he hath received them, and in time there shall be respect had to them. The just shall shine, and run to and fro, like sparks among the reeds. They shall judge nations, and rule over people, and their Lord shall reign for ever.

GRAD. Exod. xv.—God is glorious in his saints, wonderful in his Majesty, and miraculous in his works. V. Thy right hand, O Lord, is magnified in strength: thy right hand hath slain the enemy. Alleluia. Alleluia. V. Corpora sanctorum in pace sepulla sunt; et nomina eorum vivent in generatione, et generationem. Alleluia. V. The bodies of the saints are buried in peace; and their names shall

live for ever and ever. Alleluia.

After Septuag. instead of Alleluia and V. is said

TRACT. Ps. cxxv.—Qui seminant in lacrymis, in exultatione metent. They who sow in tears shall reap in joy. V. Going they went and wept, and casting their seed. V. But coming they shall come with

joy and fulness, carrying their sheaves.

GOSPEL. Luke xxi. 9. 19.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: When you shall lear of wars and seditions, be not terrified; these things must first come to pass, but the end is not yet presently. Then he said to them: Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there shall be great earthquakes in divers places, and pestilences, and famines, and terrors from heaven, and there shall be great signs. But before all these things they will lay their hands on you: and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and into pri-

sons, dragging you before kings and governors for my name's sake. And it shall happen unto you for a testimony. Lay it up therefore in your hearts, not to meditate before how you shall answer. For I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which all your adversaries shall not be able to resist and gain-say. And you shall be betrayed by your parents, and brethren, and kinsmen, and friends: and some of you they will put to death. And you shall be hated by all men for my name's sake: but a hair of your head shall not perish. In your patience you shall possess your souls.

OFFERT. Ps. lxvii.—God is wonderful in his saints: the God of Israel is he, who will give power and strength to his people; blessed be God. Allel.

SECRET.—Attend, O Lord, to our earnest prayers, which we put up in memory of thy saints; and since we trust not in our own righteousness, may we be helped by the merits of those, who were well-pleasing to thee. Thro'.

COMM. Wisd. iii.—And though in the sight of men they suffered torments. God hath tried them: as gold in the furnace he hath proved them, and like an holocaust he accepted them.

P. COMM. Quasumus.—Being filled with thy saving mysteries, we beseech thee, O Lord, that we may be helped by their intercession, whose festivals we celebrate. Thro'.

MASS VIII. Sapientiam, of the same. INTROIT. Eccles. xliv.

ET nations relate the wisdom of the saints; and the Church publish their praises. Their names shall live for ever.

P' Rejoice in the Lord,

SAPIENTIAMsanctorum narrent populi; et laudes eorum nuntie Ecclesia. Nomina eorum vivent in sæculum sæculi.

Ps. Exultate justi in

ye just : praise becometh the righteous.

Domino: rectos decet collaudatio.

V. Glory. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Deus, qui nos.—O God, by whose favour we celebrate the festival of thy holy Martyrs N. and N. grant that we may enjoy their fellowship in eternal bliss. Thro'.

LESSON. Wisd. v. 16. 20.—The just shall live for evermore, and their reward is with the Lord, and the care of them with the Most High. Therefore shall they receive a kingdom of glory, and a crown of beauty at the hand of the Lord: for with his right hand he will cover them, and with his holy arm will he defend them. And his zeal will take its armour, and he will arm the creature for the revenge of his enemies. He will put on justice as a breast-plate, and will take true judgment instead of a helmet: He will take equity for an invincible shield.

GRAD. Ps. exxiii.—Our soul hath been delivered, as a sparrow out of the snare of the fowlers. V. The snare is broken, and we are delivered, our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Ps. lxvii.—Justi epulentur et exultent in conspectu Dei, et delectentur in lætitia. Alleluia. V. Let the just feast and rejoice before God: and be delighted with gladness.

Alleluia.

After Septuag. instead of Alleluia and V. is said TRACT, Qui seminant, p. 476.

GOSPEL. Luke vi. 17. 23.—At that time: Jesus descending from the mountain, stood in a plain place, and the company of his disciples, and a very great multitude of people from all Judea and Jeru salem, and the sea coast both of Tyre and Sidon, who were come to hear him, and to be healed of their diseases. And they that were troubled with unclean spirits, were cured. And all the multitude sought to touch him, for virtue went out from him,

and healed all. And he, lifting up his eyes on his disciples, said: Blessed are the poor; for your's is the kingdom of God. Blessed are ye that hunger now: for you shall be filled. Blessed are ye that weep now; for you shall laugh. Blessed shall you be wi en men shall hate you, and when they shall separate from you, and shall reproach you, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of Man's sake. Be glad in that day, and rejoice: for behold, your reward is great in heaven.

OFFERT. Ps. exlviii.—The saints shall rejoice in glory: they shall be joyful in their beds: the high praises of God shall be in their mouth. Alleluia.

SECRET.—We bring thee, O Lord, the offerings of our devotion; and may they be acceptable to thee in honour of thy saints, and, by thy mercy, available to our salvation. Thro'.

COMM. Luke xii.—But I say to you my friends:

fear not those who persecute you.

P. COMM. *Prasta*.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, by the intercession of thy holy Martyrs N. and N. that what we have taken with our mouths we may receive with a pure soul. Thro'.

MASS IX. Salus autem, of the same. INTROIT. Ps. xxxvi.

THE salvation of the just is from the Lord: and he is their protector in the time of trouble.

Ps. Be not emulous of evil doers: nor envy them that work iniquity.

P. Glory.

SALUS autem justorum a Domino: et protector eorum est in tempore tribulationis.

Ps. Noli æmulari in malignantibus; neque zelaveris facientes iniquitatem. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Deus, qui—O God, who, by the yearly solemnity of thy holy Martyrs N. and N. comfortest us thy people; mercifully grant, that, as we rejoice at their merits, we may likewise be encouraged by their examples. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Heb. x. 32. 38. — Brethren: Call to mind the former days, wherein, being illuminated, you endured a great fight of afflictions. And on the one hand indeed, by reproaches and tribulations were made a gazing-stock; and on the other, become companions of them that were used in such sort. For you both had compassion on them that were in bands, and took with joy the being stripped of your own goods, knowing that you have a better and a lasting substance. Do not therefore lose your confidence, which hath a great reward. For patience is necessary for you: that, doing the will of God, you have receive the promise. For yet a little and a very title while, and he that is to come, will come and will not delay. But my just man liveth by faith.

GRAD. Ps. xxxiii.—The just cried and the Lord heard them, and delivered them out of all their troubles. V. The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart: and he will save the humble of heart. Allel. Allel. Y. Te martyrum candidatus laulat exercitus, Domine. Alleluia. V. The white-robed army of Martyrs praise thee, O Lord. Alleluia.

After Septuag. instead of Alleluia. and V. is said TRACT, Qui seminant, p. 476.

GOSPEL. Matt. xxiv. 3. 14.—At that time: As Jesus was sitting on mount Olivet, the disciples came to him privately, saying: Tell us when these things shall be? and what shall be the signs of thy coming, and of the consummation of the world? And Jesus answering said to them: Take heed that no man seduce you: for many will come in my name, saying, I am Christ: and they will seduce many. And you shall hear of wars, and rumours of wars. See that ye be not troubled. For these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; and there shall be pestilences and famines, and carthquakes in places: now all these are the begin-

ning of sorrows. Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall put you to death: and you shall be hated by all nations for my name's sake. And then shall many be scandalized: and shall betray one another: and shall hate one another. And many false prophets shall rise, and shall seduce many. And because iniquity hath abounded, the charity of many shall grow cold. But he that shall persevere to the end shall be saved.

OFFERT. Wisd. iii.—The souls of the just are in the hand of God: and the torment of death shall not touch them. In the sight of the unwise they seemed

to die: but they are in peace. Alleluia.

SECRET.—Be appeased, O Lord, we beseech thee, by the offerings we have made; and defend us from all dangers, by the intercession of thy holy Martyrs N. and N. Thro'.

COMM.—What I say to you in the dark, speak you in the light, saith the Lord: and what is whispered you in the ear, preach you on the house-tops.

P. COMM. Hac nos.—May this communion, O Lord, purify us from sin, and, by the intercession of thy holy Martyrs N. and N. make us partakers of the joys of heaven. Thro.

MASS X.* Statuit, of a CONFESSOR and BISHOP.

EXCLUSIVE of those degrees of Confessors who have glorified Jesus Christ, as well by their sufferings for religion, as by the purity of their lives, (such as Bishops, Priests, Doctors of the Church, Monks and Solitaries), there were also others, of various secular conditions, who passed through life without being attached to the things of the world. Despising whatever is transitory, they dedicated themselves to God; and mortifying their bodies by a rigorous penance, obtained so absolute a conquest over their own will, as to suffer a kind of martyrdom. Let us therefore beseech God on their several festivals, that he would enable us to follow their example.

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INTROIT, Statuit, as in Mass I. p. 461.

COLLECT. Da, quasumus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that the venerable solemnity of bles.ed N. thy Confessor and Bishop, may improve our devotion, and strengthen in us the hopes of salva-

tion. Thro'.

LESSON. Eccles. xliv. and xlv.—Behold a great priest, who in his time pleased God, and was found just: and in the time of wrath became an atonement. There were none found like him in observing the law of the Most High. Therefore, by an oath did the Lord make him great amongst his people. He gave him the blessing of all nations, and established his covenant on his head. He acknowledged him in his blessings: he stored up his mercy for him: and he found favour in the eyes of the Lord. (Chap. xlv.) He exalted him in the sight of kings: and gave him a crown of glory. He made with him an eternal covenant: and bestowed on him a great priesthood: and rendered him blessed in glory. perform the priestly office, to sing praises to the name of God; and to offer him precious incense for an odour of sweetness.

GRAD. Eccles. xliv.—Behold a great prelate, who in his days pleased God. V. There was none found like him in keeping the law of the Most High. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Tu es sacerdos in æternum secundum ordinem Melchisedech. Alleluia. V. Thou art a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchisedech. Alleluia.

After Septuag. instead of Alleluia and V. is said TRACT, Beatus, p. 465.

GOSPEL. Matt. xxv. 14. 23.—At that ume: Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: A man going into a far country, called his servants, and delivered to them his goods. And to one he gave five talents, and to another two, and to another one, to every one according to his proper ability: and immediately he

took his journey. And he that had received the five telents went his way and traded with the same, and gained other five. And in like manner he that had received the two, gained other two. But he that had received the one, going his way digged into the earth, and hid his lord's money. But after a long time the lord of those servants came, and reckoned with them. And he that had received the five talents coming, brought other five talents, saying: Lord, thou didst deliver to me five talents, behold I have gained other five over and above. His lord said to him: Well done good and faithful servant, because thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will place thee over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord. And he also that had received the two talents came and said: Lord, thou deliveredst two talents to me: behold I have gained other two. His lord said to him: Well done good and faithful servant, because thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will place thee over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

OFFERT. Ps. 88.—I have found David, my servant: with my holy oil I have anointed him: For my hand shall help him, and my arm shall strengthen him.

SECRET.—May thy saints, O Lord, we beseech thee, cause joy to all thy people: that while we celebrate their merits, we may experience their patrouage. Thro'.

COMM. Luke xii.—This is the faithful and prudent servant, whom the Lord placed over his family, to give them in due season their measure of wheat.

P. COMM. Prasta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that while we return thee thanks for what we have partaken of, we may, by the intercession of blessed N. thy Confessor and Bishop, receive still greater favours. Thro'.

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MASS XI. Sacerdotes tui, of the same.

Psalm exxxi.

INTROIT. LET thy priests, O Lord, be clothed with justice; and let thy saints rejoice. For thy servant David's sake, turn not away the face of thine anointed.

Ps. Remember, O Lord, David and all his meek-V. Glorv.

CACERDOTES Domine, induant justitiam, et sancti tui exultent. Propter David servum tuum, non avertas faciem Christi tui.

Ps. Memento, Domine, David, et omnis mansuetudinis eius. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Exaudi.—Hear, O Lord, we beseech thee, the prayers we offer on this solemnity of blessed N. thy Confessor and Bishop: and by his intercession, who worthily served thee, deliver us Thro'. from all our sins.

EPISTLE. Heb. vii. 23. 27.—Brethren: There were made many priests, because by reason of death they were not suffered to continue. But Jesus, for that he continueth for ever, hath an everlasting priesthood. Whereby he is able also to save for ever them that come to God by him: always living to make intercession for us. For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners, and made higher than the heavens: who needeth not daily (as the other priests) to offer sacrifice first for his own sins, and then for the people's: for this Jesus our Lord did once in offering himself.

GRAD. Ps. cxxx.-I will clothe her priests with salvation, and her saints shall rejoice exceedingly V. There will I bring forth a horn to David: I have prepared a lamp for my anointed. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Juravit Dominus et non pænitebit eum: Tu es sacerdos in æternum secundum ordinem Melchisedech. Alleluia. V. The Lord hath sworn, and will not repent: thou art a priest for ever according to the order of Melchisedech. Alleluia.

After Septuag. instead of Alleluia and V. is said TRACT. Beatus, p. 465.

GOSPEL. Matt. xxiv 42. 47. — At that time: Jests said to his disciples: Watch ye therefore, because ye know not at what hour your Lord will come. But this know ye, that if the good man of the house knew at what hour the thief would come, he would certainly watch, and would not suffer his house to be broken open. Wherefore be you also ready, because at what hour you know not, the Son of Man will come. Who thinkest thou is a faithful and wise servant, whom his lord has appointed over his family to give them meat in season? * Blessed is that servant, whom when his lord shall come, he shall find so doing. Amen, I say to you, he shall place him over all his goods †.

OFFERT.—My truth and my mercy shall be with

him; and in my name shall his be exalted.

SECRET.—May the annual solemnity, we beseech thee, O Lord, of holy N. thy Confessor and Bishop, render us acceptable to thy mercy: that by this sacrifice of propitiation, he may both receive a happy reward, and obtain for us the gifts of thy mercy. Thro'.

COMM. * Blessed, &c. as above, from * to †.

P. COMM. Deus fidelium.——O God, the rewarder of faithful souls, grant that we may obtain forgiveness by the prayers of blessed N. thy Confessor and Bishop, whose venerable feast we celebrate. Thro:

MASS XII. In medio, of DOCTORS. INTROIT. Eccles. xv.

HE opened his mouth in the midst of the Church, and the Lord filled him with the spirit ritu sapientiæ et intel

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of wisdom: he clad him with a robe of glory.

lectus: stolam gloriæ induit eum.

Ps. It is good to give praise to the Lord, and to sing to thy name, O Most High. V. Glory.

Ps. Bonum est confiteri Domino, et psallere nomini tuo, Altissime V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Deus qui.—O God, who didst give Blessed N. to thy people for a minister of eternal salvation: grant we beseech thee, that he who was the instructor of our life here on earth, may become our intercessor in heaven. Thro.

LESSON. 2 Tim. iv. 1. 8.—Most dearly beloved: I charge thee before God and Jesus Christ, who shall judge the living and the dead, by his coming, and his kingdom: preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, intreat, rebuke, in all patience and doctrine. For there shall be a time, when they will not endure sound doctrine: but according to their own desires they will heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears. And will indeed turn away their hearing from the truth, but will be turned into fables. But be thou vigilant, labour in all things, do the work of an evangelist, fulfil thy ministry. Be sober. For I am even now ready to be sacrificed: and the time of my dissolution is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. As to the rest, there is laid up for me a crown of justice, which the Lord, the just judge, will render to me in that day: and not only to me but to them also who love his coming.

GRAD. Ps. xxxvi.—The mouth of the just shall meditate wisdom: and his tongue shall speak judgment. V. The law of his God is in his heart: and his steps shall not be supplanted, O Lord. Allel. Allel. V. Amavit eum Dominus, et ornavit eum; stolam gloriæ induit eum. V. The Lord loved him, and adorned him, and hath clothed him with a robe of glory.

After Septuag. instead of Alleluia and V. is said TRACT, Beatus, 465.

GOSPEL. Matt. v. 13. 19.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt lose its savour, wherewith shall it be salted? It is good for nothing any more but to be cast out, and to be trodden on by men. You are the light of the world. A city seated on a mountain cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle and put it under a bushel, but upon a candlestick, that it may shine to all that are in the house. So let your light shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven. Do not think that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets. I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil. For, amen I say unto you, till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall not pass of the law till all be fulfilled. He therefore that shall break one of the least of these commandments, and shall so teach men, shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven. But he that shall do and teach, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

OFFERT. Ps. xc.—The just shall flourish like the palm-tree: he shall grow up like the cedar of Libanus.

SECRET.—Let the pious prayers of thy holy servant N. never be wanting to us, O Lord: that they may make our offerings acceptable to thee, and always obtain for us thy pardon. Thro'.

COMM. Luke xii.—This is the faithful and prudent servant, whom the Lord placed over his family, to give them their measure of wheat in due season.

P. COMM. Ut nobia—Let blessed N. O Lord, thy Confessor and great Doctor, become our advocate, that this thy holy sacrifice may procure our salvation. Thro'

MASS XIII. Os justi, of a CONFESSOR not a BP.
INTROIT. Ps. xxxvi.

THE mouth of the just man shall meditate wisdom, and his tongue speak judgment: the law of his God is in his heart.

Ps. Be not emulous of evil doers, nor envy them that work iniquity.

V. Glory.

OS justi meditabitur sapientiam, et lingua ejus loquetur judicium: lex Dei ejus in corde ipsius.

Ps. Noli æmulari in malignantibus: neque zelaveris facientes iniquita-

tem. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who comfortest us by the yearly solemnity of blessed N. thy Confessor; mercifully grant, that while we celebrate his

festival, we may imitate his actions. Thro'.

LESSON. Eccl. xxxi. 8. 11.—Blessed is the man that is found without blemish; and that hath not gone after gold, nor put his trust in money nor in treasures. Who is he, and we will praise him, for he hath done wonderful things in his life. Who hath been tried thereby, and made perfect, he shall have glory everlasting. He that could have transgressed, and hath not transgressed: and could do evil things, and hath not done them. Therefore are his goods established in the Lord, and all the church of the saints shall declare his alms.

GRAD. Ps. xci.—The just shall flourish like the palm-tree: he shall grow up like the cedar of Libanus in the house of the Lord. V. To shew forth thy mercy in the morning, and thy truth in the night. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Beatus vir qui suffert tentationem, quoniam cum probatus fuerit, accipiet coronam vitæ. Alleluia. V. Blessed is the man that endureth temptation; for when he leath been proved, he shall

receive the crown of life. Alleluia.

After Septuag. instead of Alleluia and V. is said TRACT, Beatus, p. 465.

GOSPEL. Luke xii. 35. 40. — At that time

Jesus said to his disciples: Let your loins be girt, and lamps burning in your hands, and you yourselves like to men who wait for their lord, when he shall return from their wedding; that when he cometh and knocketh, they may open to him immediately. Blessed are those servants, whom the Lord, when he cometh, shall find watching: Amen, I say to you, that he will gird himself, and make them sit down to meat, and passing will minister unto them. And if he shall come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find them so, blessed are those servants. But this know ye, that if the householder did know at what hour the thief would come, he would surely watch, and would not suffer his house to be broke open. Be you then also ready: for at what hour you think not, the Son of man will come.

OFFERT. Ps. lxxxviii.—My truth and my mercy are with him: and in my name shall his horn be

exalted.

SECRET.—We offer thee, O Lord, in honour of thy saints, a sacrifice of praise, by which we hope to be delivered from all present and future evils. Thro'.

COMM. Matt. xxiv.—Blessed is that servant whom when his Lord shall come, he shall find watching. Amen, I say to you, he shall place him over

all his goods.

P. COMM. Refecti.—Being refreshed, O Lord, with this heavenly meat and drink, we humbly beseech thee, that we may be assisted by his prayers, on whose feast we have received these sacred mysteries. Thro.

MASS XIV. Justus ut palma, of the same. INTROIT. Ps. xci.

THE just shall flourish like the palm-tree: he shall grow up like the cedar of Libanus: being

JUSTUS ut palma florebit: sicut cedrus Libani multiplicabitur: plantatus in domo Doplanted in the house of the Lord, in the courts of the house of our God.

mini, in atriis domus De nostri.

Ps. It is good to give praise to the Lord: and to sing to thy name, O

Ps. Bonum est confi teri Domino: et psallere nomini tuo Altissime! V. Gloria.

Most High! V. Glory.

COLLECT. Adesto.-Attend, O Lord, to the humble prayers we present to thee on the solemnity of blessed N. thy Confessor; that we who have no confidence in our own righteousness, may be helped by his prayers, who was so pleasing to thee. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 1 Cor. iv. 9. 14.—Brethren: We are made a spectacle to the world, and to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ: we are weak but you are strong: you are honourable, but we without honour. unto this hour, we both hunger and thirst, and are naked, and are buffeted, and have no fixed abode, and we labour working with our own hands: we are reviled, and we bless: we are persecuted, and we suffer it. We are blasphemed, and we entreat: we are made as the refuse of this world, the offscouring of all, even until now. I write not these things to confound you; but I admonish you as my dearest children, in Christ Jesus our Lord.

GRAD. Ps. xxxvi.—The mouth of the just shall meditate wisdom; and his tongue shall speak judgment. The law of his God is in his heart, and his steps shall not be moved. Allel. V. Beatus, vir qui timet Dominum; in mandatis ejus cupit nimis. V. Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord he delights exceedingly in his commandments. Allel

After Septuag. instead of Alleluia and V. is said TRACT, Beatus, p. 465.

GOSPEL. Luke xii. 32. 34.—At that time Jesus said to his disciples: Fear not little flock, for it hath pleased your Father to give you a kingdom

Sell what you possess and give alms. Make to your selves bags, which grow not old, a treasure in heaven which faileth not: where no thief approacheth, nor moth corrupteth. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

OFFERT.—Ps. xx.—In thy strength, O Lord, the just shall joy: and in thy salvation, he shall rejoice exceedingly: thou hast given him his soul's desire.

SECRET.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that our humble offerings may be acceptable to thee, for the honour of thy saints, and purify us both in body and mind. Thro'.

COMM. Matt. xix.—Amen, I say to you, that you who have forsaken all things and followed me. shall receive an hundred fold, and shall possess life

everlasting.

P. COMM. Quæsumus,—We beseech thee, O Almighty God, that by the intercession of thy holy confessor N. the heavenly food we have received may defend us from all adversity.

MASS XV. * Os justi of ABBOTS.

INTROIT, as in Mass XIII. p. 488. COLLECT. Intercessio.—May the intercession, O Lord, of the blessed Abbot N, recommend us to thee: that what we cannot hope for through our own merits, we may obtain by his prayers. Thro'.

LESSON. Eccles. xlv. 1. 6.—This saint was beloved of God and men: whose memory is in benediction. He made him like the saints in glory, and magnified him in the fear of his enemies. And with his words he made prodigies to cease. He glorified him in the sight of kings, and gave him commandments in the sight of his people, and shewed him his glory. He sanctified him in his faith and meekness, and chose him out of all flesh. For he heard him and his voice, and brought him into a cloud. And he gave him commandments before his face, and a law of life and instruction.

GRAD. Ps. xx.—Lord thou hast prevented him with blessings of sweetness: thou hast set on his head a crown of precious stones. V. He asked life of thee, and thou hast given him length of days, for ever and ever. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Justus ut palma florebit: sicut cedrus Libani multiplicabitur Alleluia. The just shall flourish like the palm tree; he shall grow up like the cedar of Libanus. Alleluia.

After Septuag. instead of Alleluia and V. is said TRACT, Beatus, p. 465.

GOSPEL. Matt. xix. 27. 29.—At that time Peter said to Jesus: Behold we have left all things, and have followed thee: what therefore shall we have? And Jesus said to them: Amen, I say to you, that you who have followed me in the regeneration, when the Son of Man shall sit on the seat of his majesty, you also shall sit on twelve seats judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one that hath left house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands for my name's sake, shall receive an hundred fold, and shall possess life everlasting.

OFFERT. Ps. xx.—Thou hast given him, O Lord, his soul's desire: and hast not withholden from him the will of his lips. Thou hast set on his head

a crown of precious stones.

SECRET.—May blessed N. the Abbot intercede for us, O Lord, that the offerings we have laid on thy altars, may avail us unto salvation. Thro'.

COMM. Lake xii.—This is the faithful and prudent servant, whom the Lord placed over his family, to give them their measure of wheat in due season.

P. COMM. Protegat.—May the receiving of this

P. COMM. Protegat.—May the receiving of this sacrament, and the intercession of blessed N. the Abbot, protect us, O Lord; that we may both copy after the virtues of his life, and experience the help of his intercession. Thro.

MASS XVI. Loquebar, of a Virgin and Martyr.

WHATEVER objections human policy may urge against the state of virginity, it is nevertheless perfectly agreeable to the christian system. An incarnate God recommends it by word and example:—

St. Paul bestows the greatest encomiums on it; and in every age, those who preserved their virginity were always esteemed the noblest portion of the flock of Christ. On the festivals therefore of these illustrious spouses of the Son of God, let us beseech him to grant the grace of perseverance to all such as by vow have voluntarily consecrated themselves to his service in that perfect state, as well as for that purity of soul, which is essentially necessary for every one, since without it, no one can see God.

INTROIT. Ps. exviii.

I SPOKE of thy testimonies before kings, and I was not ashamed: I meditated also on thy commandments, which I loved exceedingly.

Ps. Blessed are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the

Lord. , V. Glory.

Loquebar de testimoniis tuis in conspectu regum, et non confundebar: et meditabar in mandatis tuis quæ dilexi nimis.

Ps. Beati immaculati in via, qui ambulant in

lege Domini.

COLLECT. Deus, qui. — O God, who amongst other miracles of thy power, has bestowed the crown of martyrdom even on the weaker sex: mercifully grant that we, who solemnize the festival of blessed N. thy Virgin and Martyr, may, by following her

example, come to thee. Thro'.

LESSON. Eccles. li. 1. 8. — I will give glory to thee, O Lord, my king, and I will praise thee, O God, my Saviour. I will give glory to thy name for thou hast been a helper and protector to me, and hast preserved my body from destruction, from the snare of an unjust tongue, and from the lips of

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them that forge lies, and in the sight of them that stood by, thou hast been my helper. And thou hast delivered me, according to the multitude of the mercy of thy name, from the roaring lions, that were ready to devour me. Out of the hands of them that sought my life, and from the gates of afflictions, which compassed me about; from the oppression of the flame which surrounded me, and in the midst of the fire I was not burnt. From the depth of the belly of hell, and from an unclean tongue, and from lying words, from an unjust king, and from a slanderous tongue: my soul shall praise the Lord even to death, because thou succourest those that trust in thee, and deliverest them from the hands of the Gentiles, O Lord our God.

GRAD. Ps. xliv.—Thou hast loved justice and hated iniquity. V. Therefore, God, thy God hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Adducentur Regi Virgines post eam: proximæ ejus afferentur tibi in lætitia. Alleluia. V. Atter her shall virgins be brought to the king: her neighbours shall be brought to thee with joy. Alleluia.

After Septuag. instead of Alleluia and V. is said TRACT. Ps. xliv.—Veni sponsa Christi, accipe coronam quamtibi Dominus præparavit in æternum: pro cujus amore sanguinem tuum fudisti. Come, spouse of Christ, receive the crown which the Lord hath prepared for thee for ever: for whose love thou didst shed thy blood. V. Thou hast loved justice, and hated iniquity: therefore God, thy God hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows. V. With thy comeliness and thy beauty set out, proceed prosperously and reign.

GOSPEL. Matt. xxv. 1. 13.—At that time: Jesus spoke to his disciples this parable: The kingdom of heaven shall be like to ten virgins, who taking their lamps went out to meet the bridegroom and the bride. And five of them were foolish, and five

wise. But the five foolish, having taken their lamps, did not take oil with them: but the wise took oil in their vessels with the lamps. And the bridegroom tarrying, they all slumbered and slept. And at midnight there was a cry made: Behold the bridegroom cometh, go ve forth to meet him. Then all those virgins arose and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said to the wise: Give us of your oil, for our lamps are gone out. The wise answered, saying: Lest perhaps there be not enough for us and for you, go you rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves. Now whilst they went to buy, the bridegroom came: and they that were ready, went in with him to the marriage, and the door was shut. But at last came also the other virgins, saving: Lord, Lord open to us. But he answered, saying: Amen, I say to you, I know you not. Watch ye, therefore, because you know not the day nor the hour.

OFFERT. Ps. xliv.—Virgins shall be brought in her retinue to the king: her relations shall be presented to thee with joy and gladness: they shall be introduced into the temple to the Lord the King.

SECRET.—Receive, O Lord, the offerings we bring on the solemnity of blessed N. thy Virgin and Martyr by whose intercession we hope to be delivered. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. cxviii.—Let the proud be ashamed, because they have done unjustly towards me, but I will be employed in thy commandments, in thy justifications that I may not be confounded.

P. COMM. Auxilientur.—May the mysteries we have received, O Lord, be a help to us, and, by the intercession of blessed N. thy Virgin and Martyr, cause us to enjoy her continual protection. Thro'.

MASS XVII. Me expectaverunt, of the same. INTROIT. Pr. exviii

THE. wicked have waited for me to destroy me: but I have understood thy testimonies, O Lord. I have seen an end of all perfection: thy commandment is exceedingly broad.

Ps. Blessed are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the Lord. V. Glory.

ME expectaverunt percent me: testimonia tua Domine, intellexi. Omnis consummationis vidi finem: latum mandatum tuum nimis.

Ps. Beati immaculati in via, qui ambulant in leg Domine.

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Indulgentiam.—Let blessed N. thy Virgin and Martyr, O Lord, sue for our pardon: who by the purity of her life, and profession of thy virtue, was always pleasing to thee. Thro'.

LESSON. Eccles. li. 13. 17.—O Lord, my God, thou hast exalted my dwelling place upon the earth, and I have prayed for death to pass away. I called upon the Lord the father of my Lord, that he would not leave me in the day of my trouble, and in the time of the proud, without help. I will praise thy name continually and will praise it with thanksgiving; and my prayer was heard. And thou hast saved me from destruction, and hast delivered me from the evil time. Therefore I will give thanks and praise to thee, O Lord our God.

GRAD. Ps. xlv.—God will assist her with his favourable countenance: God is in the midst of her, she shall not be moved. The stream of the river maketh the city of God joyful: the Most High hath sanctified his own tabernacle. Alleluia. V. Hacest Virgo sapiens, et una de numero prudentium. Alleluia. V. This is a wise Virgin, and one of the number of the prudent. Alleluia.

After Septuag. instead of Alleluia and V. is said TRACT, Veni, p. 494.

GOSPEL. Matt. xiii. as in p. 501. OFFERT. Ps. xliv.—Grace is spread on thy lips,

therefore hath God blessed thee for ever.

SECRET.—Mercifully receive, O Lord, the of-ferings consecrated to thee, and by the merits of blessed N. thy Virgin and Martyr, grant they may be to us a continual support. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. cxviii.—I have done judgment and justice, O Lord, let not the proud calumniate me: I have walked upright in the ways of thy command-

ments: I have hated all evil ways.

P. COMM. Divini muneris.—Being plentifully fed with thy divine gifts, we beseech, thee, O Lord our God, that by partaking of them through the intercession of blessed N. thy Virgin and Martyr, we may obtain eternal life. Thro'.

MASS XVIII. * Loquebar, of many VV. and MM. All as in Mass, XVI. p. 493, except

COLLECT. Da nobis.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord our God, that with a constant devotion, we may celebrate the victories of thy holy Virgins and Martyrs N. and N. that though we cannot solemnize them as we ought, we may seek their prayers with all due humility. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 1 Cor. vii. as in p. 500.

SECRET.-Look down, we beseech thee, O Lord, on the offerings laid on thy altar, on this feast of thy holy Virgins and Martyrs N. and N. that as thou hast bestowed glory on them so by the sacred mysteries, thou mayest grant us pardon. Thro'.

P. COMM. Præsta nobis.—Grant, we beseech theer O Lord, by the intercession of thy Virgins and Martyrs, to receive with a pure mind what we re-

ceive with our mouths. Thro'.

MASS XIX. Dilexisti, of a Virgin only. INTROIT. Is. lxiv.

THOU hast loved justice and hated iniquity therefore, God, thy God hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness, above thy fellows.

Ps. My heart hath uttered a good word: I speak my works to the King. V. Glory.

DILEXISTI justituam et odisti iniquitatem: propterea unxit te Deus, Deus tuus, oleo lætitiæ præ consortibus tuis.

Ps. Eructavit cor meum verbum bonum; dico ego opera mea Regi.

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Exaudi.—Give ear to us, O God our Saviour, that as we celebrate with joy the solemnity of blessed N. thy Virgin, so we may improve in the affection of piety. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 2 Cor. x. 15. xi. 1. 2.—Brethren: Let him that glorieth, glory in the Lord: for not he that commendeth himself, is approved; but he whom God commendeth. (Chap. xi.) Would to God you could bear with some little of my folly: but do bear with me. For I am jealous of you with the jealousy of God. For I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.

GRAD. Ps. xliv.—With thy comeliness and thy beauty set out proceed prosperously and reign. V. Because of truth and meekness, and justice, and thy right hand shall conduct thee wonderfully. Alcluia, Alleluia. V. Adducentur Regi Virgines post eam: proximæ ejus afferentur tibi in lætitia. Alleluia. V. After her virgins shall be brought to the King: her neighbours shall be brought to thee with joy. Alleluia.

After Septuag. instead of Alleluia and V. is said TRACT. Ps. xliv.—Audi, filia, et vide, et in

clina aurem tuam: quia concupivit Rex speciem tuam. Hearken, O daughter, and see, and incline thy ear, for the King is taken with thy beauty. V. All the rich among the people shall entreat thy countenance: the daughters of kings shall honour thee. V. Virgins shall be brought in her retinue to the King; her relations shall be presented to thee. V. They shall be brought with gladness and rejoicing: they shall be brought into the temple of the King.

GÖSPEL. Matt. xxv. as in p. 494.

OFFERT. Ps. xliv.—The daughters of kings have delighted thee in thy glory. The queen stood on thy right hand in gilded clothing, surrounded with variety.

SECRET.—May the offerings, O Lord, of thy devout people, be acceptable to thee in honour of thy saints: by whose merits they have experienced help

in their afflictions. Thro'.

COMM. Matt. xxv.—The five wise virgins took oil in their vessels with their lamps: and at midnight there was a cry made: Behold! the bridegroom cometh: go ye out and meet Christ the Lord.

P. COMM. Satiasti.—Thou hast fed, O Lord, thy family with these sacred oblations: ever therefore comfort us with her intercession, whose feast we celebrate. Thro?

MASS XX. Vultum tuum, of the same. INTROIT. Ps. xliv.

A LL the rich among the people shall entreat thy countenance: after her shall virgins be brought to the king: her neighbours shall be brought to thee in joy and gladness.

Ps. My heart hath ut-

VULTUM tuum deprecabuntur omnes divites plebis: adducentur Regi virgines post eam: proximæ ejus afferentur tibi in kætitia et exultatione.

Ps. Eructavit cor meur

tered a good word: I verbum bonum: dico ego speak my works to the opera mea Regi. King. V. Glory. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Exaudi.—Give ear to us, O God our Saviour, that as we celebrate with joy the solemnity of blessed N. thy Virgin, so we may improve in the

affection of piety Thro'.

EPISTLE. 1 Cor. vii 25. 34.—Brethren: Concerning virgins I have no commandment of the Lord: but I give counsel, as having obtained mercy. of the Lord to be faithful. I think therefore that this is good for the present necessity, for a man so to be. Art thou bound to a wife? seek not to be loosed. Art thou loosed from a wife? seek not a wife. But if thou take a wife, thou hast not sinned. And if a virgin marry, she hath not sinned: nevertheless, such shall have tribulation of the flesh. But I spare you. This therefore I say, brethren: the time is short: it remaineth, that they also who have wives, be as if they had none; and they that weep, as though they wept not; and they that rejoice, as if they rejoiced not; and they that buy as though they possessed not; and they that use this world, as if they used it not: for the fashion of this world passeth away. But I would have you to be without solicitude. He that is without a wife, is solicitous for the things that belong to the Lord, how he may please God. But he that is with a wife, is solicitous for the things of the world, how he may please his wife; and he is divided. And the unmarried woman and the virgin thinketh on the things of the Lord that she may be holy both in body and spirit, in Christ Jesus our Lord.

GRAD. Ps. xliv.—The King shall greatly desire thy beauty: for he is the Lord thy God. V. Hearken. O daughter, see, and incline thy ear. Allel. Allel. V. Hac est virgo sapiens, et una de numero prudentum. Alleluin. V. This is a wise virgin, and one

After Septuag. instead of Alleluia and V. is said TRACT, Audi filia, p. 498.

GOSPEL Matt. xiii. 44. 52. - At that time: Jesus spake to his disciples this parable: The kingdom of heaven is like unto a treasure hidden in a field. Which a man having found, hid it, and for iov thereof goeth, and selleth all that he hath, and buyeth that field. Again the kingdom of heaven is like to a merchant seeking good pearls. Who when · he had found one pearl of great price, went his way, and sold all that he had, and bought it. Again the kingdom of heaven is like to a net cast into the sea. and gathering together of all kinds of fishes. Which, when it was filled they drew out, and sitting by the shore, they chose out the good into vessels, but the bad they cast forth. So shall it be at the end of the The angels shall go out, and shall separate the wicked from among the just. And shall cast them into the furnace of fire; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Have ye understood all these things? They say to him: Yes. He said unto them: Therefore every scribe instructed in the kingdom of heaven, is like to a man who is a householder who bringeth forth out of his treasure new things and old.

OFFERT. Ps. xliv.—After her shall virgins be brought to the King: her neighbours shall be brought to thee with gladness and rejoicing: they shall be brought into the temple of the Lord the King.

SECRET.—May the offerings, O Lord, of thy devout people be acceptable to thee in honour of thy saints; by whose merits they have experienced help in their afflictions. Thro'.

COMM. Matt. xiii.—The kingdom of heaven is like a merchant seeking good pearls: who when he had found one pearl of great price, he went his way and sold all that he had and bought it.

P. COMM. Satiasti. — Thou hast fed, O Lord, thy family with these sacred oblations: ever, therefore, comfort us with her intercession, whose feast we celebrate. Thro'.

MASS XXI. Cognovi, of HOLY WOMEN.

THE Church has decreed honours, not only to those who have sanctified the married state by the exercise of the virtues of a profound humility, unwearied patience, and purity of heart, but also to others, who after an irregular course of life, became so kighly inflamed with the love of God, as to be rendered almost equal to virgins. Let us then beg of Him, through the intercession of these Saints, that he would grant us the grace of a sincere compunction for our past transgressions, accompanied by such an ardent charity as covereth a multitude of sins.

INTROIT.

I KNEW, O Lord, that thy judgments are equity: and in thy truth thou hast humbled me: Pierce thou my flear: for I am afraid of thy judgments.

Ps. Blessed are the undefiled in the way: who walk in the law of the Lord. V. Glory.

Ps cxviii.

COGNOVI Domine quia sequitas judicia tua; et in veritate tua humiliasti me: Confige timore tuo carnes meas: a mandatis tuis timui.

Ps. Beati immaculati in via: qui ambulant in lege Domini.

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Exaudi. — Give ear to us, O God, our Saviour, that as we celebrate with joy the sommity of blessed N. so we may improve in the affection of true piety. Thro'.

LESSON. Prov. xxxi. 10.—Who shall find a valiant woman? the price of her is as of things brought from afar off, and from the uttermost coasts. The heart of her husband trusteth in her, and he shall have no need of spoils. She will render

him good and not evil, all the days of her life. She hath sought wool and flax, and hath wrought by the counsel of her hands. She is like the merchant's ship, she bringeth her bread from afar. And she hath risen in the night, and given prey to her household, and victuals to her maidens. She hath considered a field, and bought it: with the fruit of her hands she hath planted a vineyard. She hath girded her loins with strength, and hath strengthened her She hath tasted and seen that her traffic is good: her lamp shall not be put out in the night. She hath put out her hand to strong things, and her fingers have taken hold of the spindle. She hath opened her hand to the needy, and stretched out her hands to the poor. She shall not fear for her house in the cold of snow, for all her domestics are clothed with double garments. She hath made for herself clothing of tapestry; fine linen and purple is her covering. Her husband is honourable in the gates, where he sitteth among the senators of the land. She made fine linen and sold it, and delivered a girdle to the Chananite. Strength and beauty are her clothing, and she shall laugh in the latter day. She hath opened her mouth to wisdom, and the law of clemency is on her tongue. She hath looked well to the paths of her house, and hath not eaten her bread idle. Her children rose up, and called her blessed: her husband, and he praised her. Many daughters hath gathered together riches: thou hast surpassed them all. Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: the woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised. Give her of the fruit of her hands, and let her works praise her in the gates.

GRAD. Ps. xliv.—Grace is poured abroad on thy lips, therefore hath God blessed thee for ever. Because of truth, and meekness, and justice; and thy right hand shall conduct thee wonderfully. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Specie tua et pulchritudine tua, intende,

prospere procede; et regna. Alleluia. V. In thy comeliness and beauty go on, proceed prosperously and reign. Alleluia.

After Septuag. instead of Alleluia and V. is said TRACT, Veni, p. 494.

GOSPEL. Matt. xiii. as in p. 501

OFFERT. Ps. xliv.—Grace is poured abroad on thy lips, therefore hath God blessed thee for ever and ever.

SECRET.—May the offerings, O Lord, of thy devout people, be acceptable to thee in honour of thy saints: by whose merits they have experienced help in their afflictions. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xliv.—Thou hast loved justice, and hated iniquity; therefore, God, thy .God hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fel-

lows.

P. COMM. Satiasti.—Thou hast fed, O Lord, thy family with these sacred oblations: ever therefore comfort us with her intercession whose feast we celebrate. Thro'.

ANNIVERSARY MASS of the DEDICATION of a CHURCH.

INTROIT. Gen. xxviii.

THIS place is awful! it is the house of God, the gate of heaven: and it shall be called the palace of God.

Ps. How lovely are thy tabernacles, O Lord of Hosts! My soul longeth and fainteth for the courts of the Lord. V. Glory.

TERRIBILIS est locus iste! hic Domus Dei est, et porta cœli: et vocabitur aula Dei.

Ps. Quam dilecta tabernacula tua, Domine virtutum! Concupiscit et deficit anima mea in atria Domini. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Deus, qui nobis. — O God, who renewest every year the day of the consecration of this thy holy temple, and bringest us always in health to the celebrating these sacred mysteries: hear the prayers of thy people, and grant that whosoever shall come hither to ask any blessing of thee, may rejoice in obtaining all his requests. Thro'.

LESSON. Rev. xxi. 2. 5.—In those days: I John saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem coming down out of heaven, from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice from the throne, saying: Behold the tabernacle of God with men, and he will dwell with them. And they shall be his people: and God himself with them shall be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes: and death shall be no more, nor mourning, nor crying, nor sorrow shall be any more, for the former things are passed away. And he that sat on the throne said: Behold I make all things new.

GRAD.—This place was made by God, a mystery above all value: it is without reproof. V. O God, on whom choirs of angels attend, hear the prayers of thy servants. Alleluia, Alleluia V. Adorabo ad templum sanctum tuum: et confitebor nomini tuo. Alleluia. V. I will adore thee in thy holy temple, and I will praise thy name. Alleluia.

After Septuag. instead of Alleluia and V. is said TRACT. Qui confidunt, p. 189.

GOSPEL. Luke xix. 1. 10.—At that time: Jesus entering in, he walked through Jericho. And behold there was a man named Zacheus, who was the chief of the publicans, and he was rich. And he sought to see Jesus, who he was, and he could not for the crowd, because he was low of stature. And running before he climbed up into a sycamore tree that he might see him: for he was to pass that way. And when Jesus was come to the place, looking up he saw him, and said to him: Zacheus make

haste and come down: for this day I must abide in thy house. And he made haste and came down, and received him with joy. And when all saw it, they nurmured, saying, that he was gone to be a guest with a man that was a sinner. But Zacheus standing said to the Lord: Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor: and if I have wronged any man of any thing, I restore him four-fold. Jesus said to him: This day is salvation come to this house; because he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost. Caepo.

OFFERT. 1 Chron. xxix.—Lord God, in the simplicity of my heart have I joyfully offered all these things: and I have seen with great joy thy people, which are here present. O God of Israel, preserve them for ever in this disposition. Alleluia.

SECRET.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, our petition, that whilst we offer thee these our vows, we may, by thy help, obtain an eternal reward. Thro'.

COMM. • Matt. xxi.—My house shall be called the house of prayer, saith the Lord: in it whosoever asketh receiveth; and he who seeketh, findeth; and the door shall be opened to him that knocketh.

P. COMM. Deus, qui de vivis.—O God, who, out of living and c'hoice stones, preparest to thy majesty an eternal abode, help thy people at their prayers; that as thy Church is corporally enlarged, so it may be spiritually increased. Thro'.

VOTIVE MASSES of the B. V. MARY.

From CANDLEMAS to ADVENT. INTROIT.

HAIL, Holy Mother, who didst bring forth the King who reigns over heaven and earth forever-

Ps. My heart hath uttered good tidings: I address my works to the King. V. Glory.

SALVE, Sancta Pa rens, enixa puerpera Regem, qui cœlum terramque regit in sæcula sæculorum.

Ps. Eructavit cor meum verbum bonum: dico ego opera mea Regi.

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Concede nos.—Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, that we thy servants may enjoy constant health of body and mind, and by the glorious intercession of blessed Mary, ever a Virgin, be delivered from all temporal afflictions, and come to those joys that are eternal. Thro'.

LESSON. Eccles. xxiv. 14. 16.—From the beginning, and before the world, was I created, and unto the world to come I shall not cease to be, and in the holy dwelling place have I ministered before him. And so was I established in Sion, and in the holy try likewise I rested, and my power was in Jerusalem. And I took root in an honourable people, and in the portion of my God his inheritance, and my abode is in the full assembly of saints.

GRAD.—Thou art blessed, and worthy of our respects, O Mary, the Virgin, who, without prejudice to thy virginity, didst become the mother of the Saviour. V. O Virgin-mother of God! he whom the whole world cannot contain, became man, and was shut up in thy womb. Allel. Allel. V. Virga Jesse floruit: virgo Deum et hominem genuit: pacem

Deus reddidit, in se reconcilians, ima, summis. Alleluia. V. A sucker of Jesse hath budded: a Virgin hath brought forth him, who is God and man: God hath restored peace by reconciling in his person the highest things with the lowest. Alleluia.

After Septuag. instead of Alleluia and V. is said TRACT, Gaude, p. 510.

GOSPEL. Luke ix. 27. 28.—At that time: Whilst Jesus spoke to the multitude: A certain woman from the crowd lifting up her voice said to him: Blessed is the womb that bore thee, and the paps that gave thee suck: but he said; Yea, rather blessed are they who hear the word of God and keep it.

From Easter to Pentecost.

GOSPEL. John xix. 25. 27.—At that time: There stood by the cross of Jesus, his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalen. When Jesus therefore had seen his mother and the disciple standing, whom he loved, he said to his mother: Woman, behold thy son. After that, he saith to his disciple: Behold thy mother. And from that hour the disciple took her to his own.

OFFERT. From CANDLEMAS to EASTER.

Thou art truly happy, O sacred Virgin Mary, and most worthy of praise: for out of thee arose the Sun of righteousness, Christ our God.

OFFERT. From Easter to Pentecost.

Blessed art thou, O Virgin Mary, who didst bear the Creator of all things: thou didst bring forth him, who made thee, and remainest a Virgin for ever. Allelvia.

OFFERT. From Pentecost to Advent.

Hail Mary, full of grace; the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou amongst women: and blessed is the fruit of thy womb.

SECRÉT.—May, O Lord, by thy own mercy, and the intercession of blessed Mary, ever a Virgin, this

oblation procure us peace and happiness both in this life, and in that which is to come. Thro'.

COMM.—Blessed is the womb of Mary, the Vir-

gin which bore the Son of the eternal Father.

P. COMM. Sumptis.—Having received, O Lord, what is to advance our salvation; grant we may always be protected by the patronage of blessed Mary, ever a Virgin, in whose honour we have offered this sacrifice to thy Majesty. Thro'.

When a Votive Mass of the B. V. is said on Saturday, the II. Collect, &c. are as follows. The III. either Ecclesiæ, or Deus omnium, p. 50.

II. COLLECT. Deus qui corda.—O God, who by the light of the Holy Ghost, has instructed the hearts of the faithful: grant, that by the direction of the same Holy Spirit, we may relish what is right, and always enjoy his consolation. Thro'.

II. SECRET.—Sanctify, O Lord, the offerings we have made; and cleanse our hearts by the fire of

the Holy Ghost. Thro'.

II. P. COMM. Sancti Spiritus.—May the pouring forth of thy Holy Spirit. O Lord, cleanse our hearts, and make them faithful by his inward dew falling on them. Thro'.

From ADVENT to CHRISTMAS.

Introit, Offertory, and Communion, as on the IV. Sunday of Advent, p. 68. Collect, Secret, and P. Comm. are the II. Collect, &c. on the first Sunday, p. 50, &c. Lesson and Gospil as on the Annunciation, the 25th of March.

GRAD. Ps. xxiii.—Lift up your gates, O ye princes, and be ye lifted up, O eternal gates; and the King of glory shall enter in. V. Who shall ascend into the mountain of the Lord: or who shall stand in his holy place? He whose hands are innocent, and whose heart is clean. Alleluia, Alleluia.

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V. Hail Mary full of grace, the Lord is with thee blessed art thou amongst women. Alleluia.

From CHRISTMAS to CANDLEMAS. INTROIT. Vultum tuum, p. 499.

Collect, Secret, and P. Comm. as on the CIRCUM-CISION, pp, 88, 89. Epistle, Titus iii, and Gospel Luke ii. as in p. 75.

GRAD. Ps. xliv.—Thou art beautiful above the sons of men: grace is poured abroad on thy lips. V. My heart hath uttered a good word: I speak my works to the King: my tongue is the pen of a scrivener that writeth swiftly. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. After child-birth thou remainedst still a pure Virgin: O Mother of God intercede for us. Alleluia. After Septuag. instead of Alleluia and V. is said

TRACT, Gaude, Maria, Virgo, cunctas harreses sola interemisti. Rejoice, O Virgin Mary, thou alone hast destroyed all heresies. V. Who didst believe the words of Gabriel the archangel. V. Whilst a Virgin, thou didst bring forth him that was God and man; and after child-birth didst remain a pure Virgin. V. O Mother of God, intercede for us.

OFF ERT.—Thou art truly happy, as p. 508. COMM.—Blessed is the womb of Mary the Vir-

gin, which bore the Son of the eternal Father.

MASS for the DEAD.

On the Day of Decease or Burial. INTROIT.

GRANT them eternal rest, O Lord; and let perpetual light shine on them.

Ps. A hymn becometh thee O God, in Sion; and

REQUIEM eternam dona eis, Domine; et lux perpetua luceat eis. Ps. Te decet hymnus,

Deus, in Sion: et tibi reddetur votum in Jeru-

a vow shall be paid to salem. Exaudi orationem thee in Jerusalem. O meam: ad te omnis caro hear my prayer: all flesh veniet. shall come to thee.

Grant them, &c. to Ps. Requiem, &c. usq. ad Ps.

COLLECT. Deus, cui.-O God, whose property it is always to have mercy and to spare, we humbly present our prayers to thee in behalf of the soul of thy servant N. which thou hast this day called out of the world: beseeching thee not to deliver it into the hands of the enemy, nor to forget it for ever; but command it to be received by the holy angels, and to be carried into paradise; that as it believed and hoped in thee, it may be delivered from the pains of hell, and inherit everlasting life.

EPISTLE. 1 Thes. iv. 12. 17.—Brethren: We will not have you ignorant concerning them that are asleep, that you be not sorrowful, even as others who have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them who have slept through Jesus, will God bring with him. For this we say unto you in the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who remain unto the coming of the Lord, shall not prevent them who have slept. For the Lord himself shall come down from heaven with commandment: and with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God: and the dead who are in Christ, shall rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, shall be taken up together with them in the clouds to meet Christ, into the air, and so shall we be always with the Lord. Wherefore comfort ye one another with these words.

GRAD. Requiem æternam dona eis, Domine et lux perpetua luceat eis. V. Ps. cxi. In memoria æterna erit justus: ab auditione mala non timebit. Grant them eternal rest, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine on them. V. The just shall be in everlasting remembrance: he shall not fear the evi hearing

TRACT. Absolve, Domine, animas omnium fide lium defunctorum ab omni vinculo dilectorum. V. E gratia tua illis succurente, mereantur evadere judi cium ultionis. V. Et lucis æternæ beatitudine perfrui -Release, O Lord, the souls of all the faithful de parted from the bonds of their sins. V. And by the assistance of thy grace may they escape the sentence of condemnation. V. And enjoy the bliss of eterna! light.

The SEQUENCE or PROSE.

THE day of wrath, that dreadful day

Shall the whole world in ashes lay,

As David and the Sybils say.

What horror will invade the mind.

When the strict Judge, who would be kind.

Shall have few venial faults to find!

The last loud trumpet's wond'rous sound

Must thro' the rending tombs rebound,

And wake the nations under ground.

Nature and death shall with surprise

rise!

And view the Judge with Judicanti responsura. conscious eyes.

DIES iræ, dies illa

Solvet sæclum in favilla:

Teste David cum Sybilla.

Quantus tremor est fu-

Quando Judex est ven-Cuncta stricte discussu-

rus! Tuba mirum spargens

sonum Per sepulchra regionum,

Coget onnes ante thronum.

Mors stupebit, et natura,

Behold the pale offender Cum resurget creatura,

Then shall with universal dread

The sacred mystic book In quo totum continetur, be read,

To try the living and the Unde mundus judicetur. dead.

The Judge ascends his awful throne,

He makes each secret sin be known,

And all with shame confess their own.

O then! what int'rest shall I make,

To save my last important stake.

When the most just have cause to quake?

Thou mighty formidable King!

Thou mercy's unexhausted spring!

Some comfortable pity bring.

Forget not what my ransom cost,

Nor let my dear-bought soul be lost, tost.

In storms of guilty terror Thou, who for me didst

feel such pain, Whose precious blood the cross did stain:

Let not those agonies be vain.

Thou, whom avenging pow'rs obey,

Cancel my debt (too great to pay)

Liber scriptus proferetur,

Judex ergo cum sedebit.

Quidquid latet, apparebit:

Nil inultum remanebit.

Quid sum miser, tunc dicturus,

Quem patronum rogatu-

Cum vix justus sit securus?

Rex tremendæ majesta-

Qui salvandos salvas gra-

Salva me fons pietatis.

Recordare Jesu pie,

Quod sum causa tuæ viæ,

Ne me perdas illa die. Quærens me, sedisti las-

Redemisti, crucem passus:

Tantus labor non sit cassus.

Juste Judex ultionis,

Donum fac remissionis

Before the sad accounting Ante diem rationis dav. Surrounded with amazing fears: Whose load my soul with anguish bears: l sigh I weep: accept my tears. Thou, who wast mov'd with Mary's grief, And by absolving of the thief. Hast given me hope, now give relief. Reject not my unworthy prayer, Preserve me from the dangerous snare, Which death and gaping hell prepare. place Among the chosen righthand race. The sons of God, and heirs of grace. From that insatiate abyss. Where flames devour, and serpents hiss, Promote me to thy seat of bliss. Prostrate, my contrite heart I rend. My God, my Father, and my friend! [end. Do not forsake me in my

Well may they curse their

second birth,

Ingemisco tanquam reus: Culpa rubet vultus meus: Supplicanti parce, Deus, Qui Mariam absolvisti. Et latronen: exaudisti. Mihi quoque spem dedisti. Preces meæ non digne: Sed tu bonus fac benigne. Ne perenni cremer igne. Give my exalted soul a Inter oves locum præsta, Et ab hædis me sequestra, Statuens in parte dextra. Confutatis maledictis. Flammis acribus addictis. Voca me cum benedictis. Ora supplex et acclinis, Cor contritum quasi cinis, Gere curam mei finis, Lacrymosa dies illa!

Who rise to a surviving death.

Thou great Creator of mankind.

sion find. Amen.

Qua resurget ex favilla Judicandus homo reus. Huic ergo parce Deus:

Let guilty man compas- Pie Jesu Domine, dona eis requiem. Amen.

GOSPEL, John xi, 21, 28, At that time: Martha said to Jesus: Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died. But now also I know that whatsoever thou wilt ask of God, God will give it thee. Jesus saith to her: Thy brother shall rise again. Martha saith to him: I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day. Jesus said to her: I am the resurrection and the life: he that believeth in me, although he be dead, shall live. And every one that liveth, and believeth in me, shall not die for ever. Believest thou this? She saith to him: Yea, Lord, I have believed that thou art Christ the Son of the living God, who art come into this world.

OFFERTORY.

Lord Jesus Christ, King of Glory, deliver the souls of all the faithful departed from the flames of hell, and from the deep pit. Deliver them from the lion's mouth. lest hell swallow them, lest they fall into darkness : and let the standard bearer, St. Michael, bring them into the holy light: * Which thou promisedst of old to Abraham and his posterity. V. We offer thee, O Lord, a sacritice of praise and prayers:

Domine Jesu Christe, Rex gloriæ libera animas omnium fidelium defunctorum de pænis inferni, et de profundo lacu: libera eos de ore leonis. ne absorheat eas tartarus, ne cadant in obscurum; signifer sanctus sed Michael, repræsentet eas in lucem sanctam: * Quam olim Abrahæ promisisti, et semini ejus. V. Hostias et preces tibi, Domine, laudis offeri mus: tu suscipe pro ani-mabus illis, quarum ho

accept them in behalf of die memoriam facimus: the souls we commemorate this day: and let them pass from death to life. * Which, &c. to V.

fac eas, Domine, de morte, transire ad vitam. * Quam olim, &c. usa. ad V.

SECRET.—Have mercy, O Lord, we beseech thee, on the soul of thy servant, N. for which we offer this victim of praise, humbly beseeching thy majesty that by this propitiatory sacrifice he (or she) may arrive at eternal rest. Thro'.

COMMUNION.

Let eternal light shine on them, O Lord, with thy saints for ever: for thou art merciful, V, Grant them, O Lord, eternal rest: and let perpetual light shine on them. * With to V.

Lux eterna luceat ess. Domine. * cum sanctis tuis in æternum: quia pius es. V. Requiem æ-ternam dona eis, Domine: et lux perpetua luceat eis. * Cum sanctis, &c. usa. ad V.

P. COMM. Præsta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that the soul of thy servant, which this day hath departed this life, being purified and freed from sin by this sacrifice, may obtain both forgiveness and eternal rest. Thro'.

On the 3d, 7th, or 30th day after decease, the whole of the foregoing Mass is said, except

COLLECT. Quasumus.—Admit, we beseech thee. O Lord, the soul of thy servant N. (the third, seventh. or thirtieth day) of whose decease we commemorate, into the fellowship of thy saints, and refresh it with the perpetual dew of thy mercy. Thro'.

SECRET.—Mercifully look down, O Lord, we

beseech thee, on the offerings we make for the soul of thy servant N. that being purified by these heavenly mysteries, it may find rest in thy mercy

Thro'.

P. COMM. Suscipe.—Receive, O Lord, our prayers in behalf of the soul of thy servant N. that if any stains of the corruptions of this world still stick to t, they may be washed away by thy forgiving mercy. Thro.

ANNIVERSARY MASS for the DEAD.

All as on the day of decease or burial, p. 510, except COLLECT. Deus indulgentiarium.—O God, the Lord of mercy, give to the soul [souls] of thy servant [servants] whose anniversary we commemorate, a place of comfort, a happy rest, and the light of

glory. Thro'.

LESSON. 2 Mach. xii. 43. 46.—In those days: Judas the valiant commander making a gathering, he sent twelve thousand drachmas of silver to Jerusalem, for sacrifice to be offered for the sins of the dead; thinking well and religiously concerning the resurrection. (For if he had not hoped that they that were slain should rise again, it would have seemed superfluous and vain to pray for the dead.) And because he considered that they who had fallen asleep with godliness, had great grace laid up for them. It is therefore a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from their sins.

GOSPEL. John vi. 37. 49.—At that time: Jesus said to the multitude of the Jews: All that the Father giveth me, shall come to me: and him that cometh to me, I will not cast out. Because I came down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him that sent me. Now this is the will of the Father that sent me: that of all that he hath given me, I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again in the last day. And this is the will of my Father who sent me; that every one who seeth the Son, and believeth in him, may have life everlasting,

and I will raise him up in the last day.

SECRET.—Favourably hear, O Lord, our humble prayers in behalf of the soul [souls] of thy servant [servants] the anniversary of whose death is this day, for whom we offer up this sacrifice of praise: that thou mayest vouchsafe to admit it [them] to the fellowship of thy saints.

P. COMM. Prasta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that the soul [souls] of thy servant [servants] the anniversary of whose death we commemorate, being purified by this sacrifice, may obtain both

pardon and eternal rest. Thro'.

The COMMON MASS for the DEAD.

All as on the day of Decease, or Burial, except COLLECT. Deus, qui, for Bishops or Priests. O GOD, by whose favour thy servants were raised to the dignity of Bishops [or Priests] and thus honoured with the Apostolic functions: grant, we beseech thee, that they may be admitted to the eternal fellowship of thy apostles in heaven. Thro'.

For Brethren, Friends, and Benefactors.

Deus Venia.—O God, the author of mercy, and lover of the salvation of mankind; we address thy clemency in behalf of our brethren, relations and benefactors, who are, departed this life, that by the intercession of blessed Mary, ever a Virgin, and of all thy saints, thou wouldst receive them into the enjoyment of eternal happiness. Thro'.

For all the Faithful departed.

Fidelium.—O God, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful, give to the souls of thy servants departed the remission of their suns: that through the help of pious supplications, they may obtain the pardon they have always desired. Who livest.

LESSON. Rev. xiv. 13.—In those days: I heard a voice from heaven, saying to me: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord. From henceforth now,

saith the Spirit that they may rest from their labours: for their works follow them.

GOSPEL. John vi. 51. 55.—At that time: Jesus said to the multitude of the Jews: I am the living bread which came down from heaven. If any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever: and the bread that I will give, is my flesh for the life of the world. The Jews therefore strove among themselves, saying: How can this man give us his flesh to eat: Then Jesus said to them: Amen, amen I say unto you: Except you eat the flesh of the Son of Man, and drink his blood, you shall not have life in you. He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath everlasting life: and I will raise him up in the last day.

SECRET, for Bishops or Priests.

Accept, O Lord, we beseech thee, the sacrifice we offer for the souls of thy servants, Bishops [or Priests] that those whom in this life thou didst honour with the episcopal [or priestly] dignity, thou mayest join to the fellowship of thy saints in the kingdom of heaven. Thro?

For Brethren, Friends and Benefactors.

O God, whose mercy is infinite, graciously hear the prayers which we thy humble servants offer thee: and grant to the souls of our Brethren, Friends, and Benefactors, on whom thou didst bestow the grace to confess thy name, the pardon of all their sins by these mysteries of our salvation. Thro'.

For all the Faithful departed.

Look down favourably, we beseech thee, O Lord, on the sacrifice we offer for the souls of thy servants; that as thou wast pleased to bestow on them the merit of Christian faith, thou wouldst also grant them the reward thereof. Thro'.

P. COMM. Prosit. For Bishops, &c.

Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, by thy merciful X x 2

clemency which we have implored on behalf of the souls of thy servants, Bishops [or Priests] that by thy mercy they may eternally enjoy thy presence, in whom they have hoped and believed. Thro'.

For Brethren, Friends, and Benefactors. Prasta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty and merciful God, that the souls of our Brethren, Friends, and Benefactors, for whom we have offered this sacrifice to thy Majesty, being, by virtue of these mysteries, purified from all sin, may, through thy mercy, receive the blessing of perpetual light. Thro'.

For All the Faithful departed. Animabus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that our humble prayers in behalf of the souls of thy servants, both men and women, may be profitable to them: so that thou mayest deliver them from all their sins, and make them partakers of the redemption thou nast purchased for them. Who livest.

ioi mem. who heer.

Collect, &c. for a deceased Father or Mother.

COLLECT. O God, who hast commanded us to honour our Father and Mother: mercifully shew pity to the souls [or soul] of my Father [or] my Mother, and forgive him [or her] their [or his or her] sins: and grant that I may see them [or him or her] in the joys of eternal life. Thro'.

SECRET.—Receive, O Lord, the sacrifice I offer for the souls [or soul] of my Father, [or of] my Mother: grant them [or him or her] eternal joys in the land of the living: and associate me with them [or him or her] in the bliss of thy saints. Thro'.

P. COMM.—May the participation of these beavenly mysteries, O Lord, I beseech thee, obtain rest and light for the souls [or soul] of my Father[or of] my Mother: and may thy grace crown me with them [or him or her] for ever. Thro'.

THE PROPER OF SAINTS.

A S the primitive Christians were accustomed to meet every year on the anniversary of the Martyrs n the churches or chapels usually erected to their memory in the same place where the whole, or some sacred remains of their bodies had been buried, and as their tombs served for an altar, so it has ever since been the custom to put the relics of some Saint in, or beneath alter stones. The MASS was not offered to the MARTYR, but to the God of Martyrs, to whom alone sacrifice is due, to thank him as well for the strength and courage wherewith he had animated them, as for that state of bliss to which he has admitted them. Such was the origin of the festivals of the Saints.

XXIX. VIGIL OF ST. ANDREW.

When this Vigil falls in Advent, the II Collect is of Advent, and the III. of St. Saturninus. When it falls on Saturday, the II. is Concede, p. 507, and the III. is Eccl. p. 50, or Deus omnium, ib. with their respective Secrets and P. Comms.

The abovementioned Prayers are also said on every Vigil (except those of Christmas, Easter, and Whitsunday, which have only one Collect) and within all Octaves, when the Mass of the Octave is said, if directions to the contrary are not given.

INTROIT. Matt. iv.—The Lord saw near the sea of Galilee two brethren, Peter and Andrew, and he called them, saying: come ye after me, and I will make you fishers of men. Ps. xviii. The heavens shew forth the glory of God: and the firmament declareth the work of his hands. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Quasumus.—We beseech thee, O Almighty God, that thy blessed apostle Andrew, whose festival we are preparing to celebrate, may implore thy assistance in our behalf, that being discharged from the guilt of our crimes, we may likewise be freed from all dangers. Thro'.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—Of St. SATURNINUS.—O God, by whose favour we ce'ebrate the glory of blessed Saturninus, thy Martyr: grant that we may be assisted by his merits. 'Thro'.

LESSON, as on the Vigil of an Apostle, p. 460. GRAD. Ps. exxxviii.—To me, thy friends, O God, are made exceedingly honourable: their principality is exceedingly strengthened. V. I will number them, and they shall be multiplied above the sands.

GOSPEL. John. i. 35. 51.—At that time John stood, and two of his disciples: and beholding Jesus walking, he saith: Behold the Lamb of God. And the two disciples heard him speak, and they followed Jesus. And Jesus turning, and seeing them following him, saith to them: What seek you? Who said to him: Rabbi, (which is to say, being interpreted. Master.) where dwellest thou? He saith to them: Come and see. They came, and saw where he abode, and they staid with him that day: now it was about the tenth hour. And Andrew the brother of Simon Peter was one of the two who had heard of John, and followed him. He findeth first his brother Simon, and saith to him: We have found the MESSIAS, which is, being interpreted, the CHRIST. And he brought him to Jesus. And Jesus looking upon him, said: Thou art Simon, the Son of Jona: thou shalt be called Cephas, which is interpreted, Peter. On the following day he would go forth into Galilee, and he findeth Philip. And Jesus saith to him: Follow me. Now Philip was of Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip findeth Nathanael, and saith to him: We have found him of whom Moses in the law, and the prophets did write, Jesus the son of Joseph of Nazareth. And Nathanael saith to him; Can any thing of good come from Nazareth? Philip saith to him: Come and see. Jesus saw Nathanael coming to him, and he saith to him: Behold an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no guile. Nathaniel saith to him: Whence knowest thou me? Jesus answered and said to him: Before that Philip called thee, when thou wast under the fig-tree, I saw thee. Nathaniel answered him, and said: Rabbi, thou art the Son of God, thou art the King of Israel. Jesus answered, and said to him: Because I said unto thee, I saw thee under the fig-tree, thou believest: greater things than these shalt thou see. And he saith to him: Amen, amen I say to you, you shall see the heaven opened, and the Angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.

OFFERT. Ps. viii.—Thou hast crowned him with glory and honour: and hast set him over the works of thy hands, O Lord.

SECRET.—We offer thee, O Lord, the gifts to be consecrated, whereby we, celebrating the festival of blessed Andrew the Apostle, beseech thee, that our minds may also be purified. Thro'.

SECRET, of St. SATURNINUS.

Sanctify, O Lord, the offerings we have consecrated to thee, and being appeased thereby, mercifully look down upon us, by the intercession of blessed Saturninus, thy Martyr. Thro'.

COMM. John i.—Andrew saith to Simon his brother: We have found the Messiah, who is called the Christ: and he brought him to Jesus.

- P. COMM. Perceptis.—Having received, O Lord, thy holy sacrament, we beseech thee that, by the intercession of blessed Andrew thy Apostle, what we perform in memory of his venerable passion, may be a remedy to us.
- P. COMM. Sanctificet, of St. SATURNINUS.—May the receiving of this thy sacrament, O Lord, we beseech thee, sanctify us: and by the intercession of thy saints, make us acceptable to thee.

XXX. St. ANDREW, ap. INTROIT. Ps. cxxxviii.

TO me, thy friends, O God, are made exceedingly honourable: their principality is exceedingly strengthened. Ps. Lord, thou hast proved me and known me: thou hast known my sitting down and my rising up. V. Glorv.

M I H I autem nimis honorati sunt amici tui, Deus: nimis confortatus est principatus eorum. Ps. Domine, probasti me et cognovisti me trognovisti sessionem meam et resurrectionem meam. V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Majestatem.—We humbly beseech thy divine Majesty, O Lord, that as the blessed Apostle Andrew was a teacher and pastor of thy Church, so he may be with thee our perpetual inter-

cessor. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Rom. x. 10.18.—Brethren: With the heart we believe unto justice: but, with the mouth, confession is made unto salvation. For the scripture saith: Whosoever believeth in him, shall not be confounded. For there is no distinction of the Jew and the Greek: for the same is Lord over all. rich unto all that call upon him. For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord, shall be saved. How then shall they call on him, in whom they have not believed? Or how shall they believe him, of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear, without a preacher? And how shall they preach, unless they be sent? as it is written: How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, of them that bring good tidings of good things? But all do not obey the gospel. For Isaias saith: Lord, who hath believed our report? Faith then cometh by hearing: and hearing by the word of Christ. But I say: have they not heard? Yes verily, their sound hath gone forth into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the whole world GRAD. Ps. xliv.—Thou wilt set them rulers over all the earth, and they shall remember thy name, O Lord. V. In place of thy fathers thou hast children born to thee: therefore shall nations praise thee. Allelvia, Allelvia. V. The Lord loved Andrew like

a sweet smelling odour Allel.

GOSPEL. Matt. iv. 18. 22.—At that time: Jesus walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea (for they were fishers). And he saith to them: Come ye after me, and I will make you to be fishers of men. And they immediately leaving their nets, followed him. And going on from thence, he saw two other brethren, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in a ship with Zebedee their father, mending their nets: and he called them. And they forthwith left their nets and father, and followed him. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. cxxxviii.—To me, O God, thy friends are exceeding honourable: exceeding mighty

in their power.

SECRET. — May the holy prayers of blessed Andrew the Apostle, we beseech thee, O Lord, render our sacrifice pleasing to thee; that what we solemnize in his honour, his merits may render acceptable. Thro'.

COMM. Matt. iv.—Come ye after me, and I will make you to be fishers of men: and they imme-

diately leaving their nets, followed him.

P. COMM. Sumpsimus.—As the divine mysteries we have partaken of with joy on this festival of blessed Andrew, conduce to the glory of thy saints; so, O Lord, we beseech thee, let them obtain for us pardon. Thro'.

December II. St. BIBIANA, v. m.
All as in Mass XVII. p. 496, except
('OLLECT. Deus, omnium.—O God, the be-

stower of all good gifts, who in thy servant Bibiana joinedst the palm of martyrdom with the flower of virginity, grant, that through her intercession, our hearts may be united to thee by charity; and that being delivered from all dangers, we may obtain everlasting rewards. Thro'.

III. St. FRANCIS XAVIER, c.

INTROIT .- I spake of thy law in the presence of kings, and I was not ashamed: and meditated on the commandments, which I loved exceedingly. Ps. Praise the Lord all ye nations: praise him all ye people: for his mercy is confirmed upon us, and the truth of the Lord remaineth for ever. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Deus, qui Indiarum.—O God, who, by the preaching and miracles of blessed Francis, didst bring into thy Church the people of the Indies: mercifully grant that we may imitate his virtues. whose glorious merits we venerate. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Rom. x. p. 524. Grad. Offert. and Comm. as in Mass XIII. p. 488. Secret and

P. Comm. as in Mass XIV. p. 491.

GOSPEL. Mark xvi. 15. 18.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: Go ye into the whole world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized, shall be saved: but he that believeth not, shall be condemned. And these signs shall follow them that believe: In my name they shall cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues: they shall take up serpents: and if they shall drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them: they shall lay their hands upon the sick, and they shall recover.

IV. St. PETER CHRYSOLOGUS, c.

All as in Mass XII. p. 485, except COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who by thy divine providence didst ordain that blessed Peter should be foreshewn by heaven, and chosen as an exalted

teacher to govern and instruct thy Church: grant. we beseech thee, that he who taught us the true way of life whilst here on earth, may now intercede for us in heaven. Thro'.

COLLECT, in commemoration of St. Barbara, as

Deus qui in Mass XVI. p. 493.

VI. St. NICHOLAS, bp. c.

INTROIT, Statuit, p. 461. COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who by innumerable miracles hast honoured blessed Nicholas the Bishop: grant, we beseech thee, that by his merits and intercession we may be delivered from eternal flames. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Heb. xiii. 7. 17.—Brethren: member your prelates who have spoken the word of God to you: whose faith follow, considering the end of their conversation. Jesus Christ yesterday and to-day; and the same for ever. Be not led away with various and strange doctrines. best that the heart be established with grace, not with meats: which have not profited those that walk in them. We have an altar, whereof they have no power to eat who serve the tabernacle. For the bodies of those beasts, whose blood is brought into the Holies by the high-priest for sin are burned without the camp. Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people by his own blood, suffered without the gate. Let us go forth therefore to him without the camp, bearing his reproach. For we have not here a lasting city, but we seek one that is to come. By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise always to God, that is to say, the fruit of lips confessing to his name. And do not forget to do good and to impart; for by such sacrifices God's favour is obtained. Obey your prelates, and be subject to them. For they watch, as being to render an account of your souls.

GRAD. to Alleluia, as in Mass I. p. 461.

V. The righteous man shall flourish like the palmtree; he shall thrive like the cedar of Libanus. Allch

GOSPEL. Matt. xxv. as in Mass X. p. 482.

OFFERT.-My truth and my mercy are with him: and in my name, his power shall be exalted.

SECRET .- Sanctify, we beseech thee, O Lord our God, those gifts which we offer thee on the festival of our holy Bishop Nicholas: that our lives may never swerve from truth, either in prosperity or adversity. Thro'.

* COMM.—Once have I sworn by my holy name: his posterity shall remain for ever, and his throne as the sun before me, and as the moon, perfect for ever,

and as the faithful witness in heaven.

P. COMM.-May the sacrifice we have partaken of, O Lord, on the solemnity of thy holy Bishop Nicholas, continually protect us. Thro'.

VH. St. AMBROSE, b. c. and D. All as in Mass XII. p. 485, except

GRAD. Eccles. xliv.—Behold a great prelate, who in his days pleased God. V. There was none found like him in keeping the law of the Most High.

Alleluia, Alleluia. V. The Lord hath sworn, and will not repent it: Thou art a priest for ever according to the order of Melchisedech. Alleluia.

OFFERT.—My truth, &c. as above. SECRET.—O almighty and eternal God, grant by the intercession of B. Ambrose, thy Confessor and Bishop, that the gifts we have offered to thy divine Majesty may procure for us eternal salvation. Thro'. * COMM.—As above, Once have I sworn, &c.

P. COMM. Sacramenta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that having received the sacrament of our salvation, we may be ever assisted by the prayers of blessed Ambrose, thy Confessor and Bishop, on whose festival we have offered this sacrifice to thy divine majesty. Thro'.

VIII. CONCEPTION of the B. V. MARY.

[By changing the word Conception into Nativity, and including a Commen. of St. Adrian, m. by the Collect, &c. Præsta, from Mass V. p. 482, this Mass also serves for the 8th September.]

INTROIT, Salve, p. 507.

COLLECT. Famulis.—Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, to thy servants the gifts of thy heavenly grace: that as our redemption began in the delivery of the blessed Virgin, so in this solemnity of her Conception, [Nativity] we may have an increase of peace. Thro.

LESSON. Prov. viii. 22. 25. — The Lord possessed me in the beginning of his ways, before he made any thing, from the beginning. I was set up from eternity, and of old before the earth was made. The depths were not as yet, and I was already conceived, neither had the fountains of waters as yet sprung out: the mountains with their huge bulk had not as yet been established: before the hills I was brought forth: he had not yet made the earth, nor the rivers, nor the poles of the world. When he prepared the heavens, I was there: when with a certain law and compass he enclosed the depths: when he established the sky above, and poised the fountains of waters: when he compassed the sea with its bounds, and set a law to the waters, that they should not pass their limits: when he balanced the foundation of the earth. I was with him forming all things, and was delighted every day, playing before him at all times, playing in the world: and my delight is to be with the children of men. Now, therefore, ye children, hear me, blessed are they that keep my ways. Hear instruction and be wise, and refuse it not. Blessed is the man that heareth me, and that watcheth daily at my gates, and waiteth at the posts of my doors. He that shall find me shall find life, and shall have salvation from the Lord.

GRAD.—Thou art blessed, and worthy of our respects, O Mary the Virgin, who without prejudice to thy virginity, didst become the mother of the Saviour. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Happy art thou, O holy Virgin Mary, and worthy of all praise; because from thee arose the Sun of Righteousness, Christ our God. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. i. 1. 16.—The book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham. Abraham begot Isaac. And Isaac begot Jacob. And Jacob begot Judas and his brethren. And Judas begot Phares and Zara of Thamar. And Phares begot Esron. And Esron begot Aram. And Aram begot Aminidab. And Aminidab begot Nassson. And Naasson begot Salmon. And Salmon begot Booz of Rahab. And Booz begot Obed of Ruth. And Obed begot Jesse. And Jesse begot David the king. And David the king begot Solomon, of her who had been the wife of Urias. And Solomon begot Roboam. And Roboam begot Abia. And Abia begot Asa. And Asa begot Josaphat. And Josaphat begot Joram. And Joram begot Ozias. And Ozias begot Joatham. And Joatham begot Achaz. And Achaz begot Ezechias. And Ezechias begot Manasses. And Manasses begot Amon. And Amon begot Josias. And Josias begot Jechonias and his brethren in the transmigration of Babylon. And after the transmigration of Babylon, Jechonias begot Salathiel. And Salathiel begot Zorobabel. And Zorobabel begot Abiud. And Abiud begot Eliacim. And Eliacim begot Azor. And Azor begot Sadoc. And Sadoc begot Achim. And Achim begot Eliud. And Eliud begot Eleazar. And Eleazar begot Matham. And Matham begot Jacob. And Jacob begot Joseph, the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ.

OFFERT.—Blessed art thou, O Mary the Virgin, who didst bear the Creator of all things. Thou broughtest forth him who made thee, and remainest

a virgin for ever.

SECRET.—May the humanity of thy hoty begotten Son, O Lord, succour us, that he, (who being born of a Virgin, diminished not, but consecrated her virginity) may free us, who celebrate the festival of her Conception [Nativity] from our sins: and render our oblation acceptable to thee. Who. Comm. and P. Comm. as is the Votive Mass, p. 509,

XI. St. DAMASUS, p. c. All as in Mass XI. p. 484, except

COLLECT. Exaudi.—Give ear, O Lord, to our prayers, and by the intercession of blessed Damasus, thy Confessor and Bishop, mercifully grant us pardon and peace. Thro'.

GRADUAL and OFFERTORY, as in Mass X. p. 482. SECRET, as in Mass XX. p. 501.

COMM. Matt. xxv.—Lord, thou didst deliver to me five talents: behold I have gained other five over and above. Well done good and faithful servant: because thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will place thee over many things, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.

P. COMM. Da quæsumus.—Grant, we beseech thee O Lord, that thy faithful may always celebrate with joy the festivals of thy saints, and ever be protected by their prayers. Thro'.

XIII. St. LUCY, v. m.

Introit, Collect and Epistle as in Mass XIX. p. 498.

GRAD.—Thou hast loved justice and hated iniquity. V. Therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness. Alleluia, Alleluia.

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V. Grace is poured abroad in thy lips: therefore bath God blessed thee. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Offertory, Secret, and P. Comm. as in Mass XX. p. 499.

COMM.—Princes have persecuted me without cause, and my heart hath trembled at thy words: but I will rejoice in thy commandments, like one who hath found rich spoils.

XXI. St. THOMAS, ap.

INTROIT, Mihi autem, p. 524.

COLLECT. Da nubis.—Grant, O Lord, we be seech thee, that we may rejoice on the solemnity of thy blessed Apostle Thomas; to the end that we may always have the assistance of his prayers, and

zealously profess the faith he taught.

EPISTLE. Ephes. ii. 19. 22.—Brethren: You are no more strangers and foreigners: but you are fellow-citizens with the saints, and the domestics of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief concerstone: in whom all the building being framed together, groweth up into a holy temple in the Lord. In whom you also are built together into an habitation of God in the spirit.

GRAD.—Thy friends, O God, are made exceedingly honourable, exceedingly mighty is their power. I will number them; and they shall be multiplied above the sand. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye just: praise becometh the upright.

Alleluia.

GOSPEL. John xx. to * as on Low Sund. p. 347. OFFERT: Ps. xviii.—Their sound hath gone forth into all the earth: and their words unto the ends of the world.

SECRET.—We pay, O Lord, the homage due to thee, humbly beseething thee to preserve in us thy

own gifts by the intercession of blessed Thomas the apostle, on the day of whose glorious confession we offer a sacrifice of praise. Thro'.

COMM.—Reach hither thy hand, and feel the print of the nails: and be not incredulous, but be-

lieve.

P. COMM. Adesto.—Assist us, O merciful God, and vouchsafe, by the intercession of blessed Thomas the apostle, to preserve in us, what thou hast bestowed upon us. Thro'.

XXXI. St. SYLVESTER, p. c.

INTROIT, Sacerdotes, p. 484. Collect, Secret and P. Comm. as in p. 482, with Commemorations of all the Festivals, from Christmas-day inclusively.

EPISTLE. 2 Tim. iv. 1. 8. as in p. 486.

GRAD.—Behold a great Prelate, who in his days pleased God. V. There was none found like him in keeping the law of God. Allel. Allel. V. Ps. 1 have found my servant David: I have anointed him with my holy oil. Allelvia.

GOSPEL. Luke xii. as in Mass XIII. p. 488.

OFFERT. Ps. txxxviii.—I have found David my servant: with my holy oil I have anointed him. My hand shall help him: and my arm shall strengthen him.

COMM. Matt. xxiv. as in Mass XIII. p. 489.

January II. Octave-day of St. STEPHEN. All as on the Feast itself, p. 78, except

COLLECT. Omnipotens.—O Almighty and eternal God, who didst consecrate the first fruits of martyrdom in the blood of blessed Stephen the Levite: grant, we beseech thee, that he may intercede for us Y v 3

who begged mercy, even for his persecutors, of our Lord Jesus Christ thy Son. Who liveth.

V. Octave of St. THOMAS of CANTERBURY. Mass as on his Feast, p. 85, with Commems. of the Eve of the Epiphany, of the Sunday within the Octave of Christmas, and of St. Telesphorus, by the Collect, &c. of Mass II. p. 464, &c.

At the end of Mass is read the following

GOSPEL of the Eve of the Epiphany. Matt. ii. 19. 23. — At that time: When Herod was dead, behold an angel of the Lord appeared in sleep to Joseph in Egypt, saying: Arise and take the child and his mother and go into the land of Israel. For they are dead that sought the life of the child. Who arose, and took the child and his mother, and came into the land of Israel. But hearing that Archelaus reigned in Judea in the room of Herod his father, he was afraid to go thither: and being warned in his sleep, retired into the quarters of Galilee. And coming he dwelt in a city called Nazareth: that it might be fulfilled which was said by the prophets: that he shall be called a Nazarite. Deo gratius.

January XIII. Octave-day of the EPIPHANY.

All as on the Feast, p. 89, except

COLLECT. Deus cujus.—O God, whose only begotten Son appeared in the substance of our flesh: grant, we beseech thee, that we may be interiorly reformed by him, whom we confess to have outward ly taken our flesh on himself. Thro.

GOSPEL. John i. 29. 34.—At that time: John saw Jesus coming to him, and he saith: Behold the Lamb of God, behold he who taketh away the sins of the world. This is he of whom I said: after me cometh a man who is preferred before me: because

he was before me. And I knew him not, but that he may be made manifest in Israel, therefore am I come baptizing with water. And John gave testimony, saying: I saw the Spirit coming down as a dove from heaven, and he remained upon him. And I knew him not: but he who sent me to baptize with water, said to me: 'He upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending, and remaining on him, he it is that baptizeth with the Holy Ghost. And I saw: and I gave testimony, that this is the Son of God.'

SECRET.—We offer sacrifice to thee, O Lord, in remembrance of the manifestation of thy Son: aumbly beseeching thee, that as our Lord Jesus hrist is the author of what we offer, so he may fully receive the same. Who liveth.

P. COMM. Calesti lumine.—May thy heavenly light, we beseech thee, O Lord, go before us at all times and in all places: that we may contemplate with a clear sight, and receive with due affection the mystery whereof thou hast been pleased we should partake. Thro.

N. B. After the Octave till Candlemas, the 11. and 111. Collects, &c. are the same as those thus marked * p. p. 50. 52. and 53.

XIV. St. HILARY, bp. c.

All as in Mass XII. p. 485, with a Commem. of St. Felix, by the following Collect, &c.

COLLECT. Concede.—Grant, we be seech thee, O Almighty God, that the examples of thy saints may excite us to the amendment of our lives: that as we celebrate their festivals, so we may imitate their virtues. Thro'.

SECRET of the same.—Mercifully receive, O Lord the offerings consecrated to thee by the merits

of blessed Felix thy Martyr, and grant they may be a continual support to us. Thro?

P. COMM. Quæsumus. Of the same.—We beseech thee, O Lord, that, being fed by these holy mysteries of our salvation, we may be helped by the prayers of blessed Felix, thy Martyr, whose festival we celebrate. Thro'.

XV. St. PAUL, the first Hermit.

INTROIT, Justus ut palma, p. 489.

COLLECT. Deus, qui nos.—O God, who dost comfort us by the yearly solemnity of blessed Paul thy Confessor, mercifully grant that while we celebrate his festival, we may imitate his actions. Thro'

Intercessio of St. Maurus. COLLECT, p. 491.

EPISTLE. Philip iii. 7. 12.—Brethren: The things that were gain to me, the same I have counted loss for Christ. Furthermore I count all things to be but loss for the excellent knowledge of Jesus Christ my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them but as dung, that I may gain Christ: and may be found in him not having my justice, which is of the law, but that which is of the faith of Christ Jesus, which is of God, justice in faith: that I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable to his death, if by any means I may attain to the resurrection which is from the dead. Not as though I had already attained, or were already perfect: but I follow after, if I may by any means apprehend, wherein I am also apprehended by Christ Jesus.

GRAD. Ps. xci.—The just shall flourish like the palm-tree: he shall grow up like the cedar of Libanus in the house of the Lord. V. To shew forth thy mercy in the morning, and thy truth in the night

Alleluia, Alleluia. The just shall bud as the lily, and shall flourish for ever before the Lord. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. xi. 25. 30.—At that time: Jesus answered and said: I confess to thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them to little ones. Yea, Father; for so it hath seemed good in thy sight. All things are delivered to me by my Father. And no one knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither doth any one know the Father but the Son, and he to whom it shall please the Son to reveal him. Come to me, all you that labour, and are burdened, and I will refresh you. Take up my yoke upon you, and learn of me, because I am meek, and humble of heart: and you shall find rest to your souls. For my yoke is sweet, and my burden light.

OFFERT. and SECRET as in Mass XIV. p. 491.

COMM. Ps. lxiii.—The just shall rejoice in the Lord, and shall hope in him: and all the upright in heart shall be praised.

P. COMM.—Refecti, as in Mass XIII. p. 489. Of St. Maurus, Protegat, as in Mass XV. * p. 492.

XVL St. MARCELLUS, p. m.

Introit, Gradual, and Offert. as in Mass I. p. 461, &c.

COLLECT. Preces.—Mercifully hear, O Lord, we beseech thee, the prayers of thy people, that we may be assisted by the merits of blessed Marcellus, thy Martyr and Bishop, the feast of whose sufferings we celebrate with joy. Thro'.

EPISTLE and GOSPEL, from Mass II. p. 464,

SECRET.—Graciously receive, O God, we beseech thee, the offerings we have made, and, in consideration of the merits of blessed Marcellus, thy Martyr and Bishop, grant they may procure for us the helps necessary to our salvation. Thro'.

e helps necessary to our salvation. Thro'. COMM. as on St. Damascus the 11th Dec. p. 531.

P. COMM. Satissti.—Thou hast fed, O Lord, thy family with these sacred oblations: ever therefore comfort us by his intercession, whose feast we celebrate. Thro'.

XVIII. St. PETER's CHAIR at ROME, &c.

By omitting the COMM. of St. Prisca t, this Mass serves also for his Chair at Antioch on the 22d February.

INTROIT. Statuit, as in Mass I. p. 461

COLLECT. Deus, qui beato.—O God, who by delivering to the blessed apostle Peter the keys of the kingdom of heaven, didst give him the power of binding and loosing: grant that, by his intercession, we may be freed from the bonds of our sins. Who livest.

Of St. PAUL. Peus, qui multitudinem.—O God, who by the preaching of blessed Paul the Apostle, didst instruct the multitude of the Gentiles: grant, we beseech thee, that whilst we celebrate his memory, we may find the effects of his prayers. Thro'.

† Of St. Prisca. Da quæsumus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we who celebrate the memory of blessed Prisca, thy Virgin and Martyr, may find comfort on her yearly festival and improve by the example of her great faith. Thro.

EPISTLE. 1 Pet. i. 1. 7.—Peter, an Apostle of Jesus Christ, to the strangers dispersed through Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, elect, according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, unto the sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: grace unto you and peace be multiplied. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who

according to his great mercy hath regenerated us unto a lively hope, by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, unto an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that cannot fade, reserved in heaven for you, who by the power of God are kept by faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. Wherein you shall greatly rejoice, if now you must be for a little time made sorrowful in divers temptations: that the trial of your faith (much more precious than gold, which is tried by the fire) may be found unto praise, and glory, and honour, at the appearing of Jesus Christ.

GRAD. Ps. cxvi.—Let them exalt him in the thurch of the people; and praise him in the chair of the ancients. V. Let the mercies of the Lord give glory to him: and his wonderful works to the children of men. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church. Alleluia.

TRACT. (After Septuagesima.) Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. And I will give thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven. V. Whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven. V. And whatsoever thou shalt ioose on earth, shall be loosed in heaven.

GOSPEL. Matt. xvi. as on the 29th of June. Offert. Thou art, &c. as in the preceding Tract, to V.

SECRIT.—May the intercession, we beseech thee, O Lord, of Bishop Peter thy apostle, render the prayers and offerings of thy church acceptable to thee: that the mysteries we celebrate in his honour, may obtain for us the pardon of our sins. Thro'.

Of St. Paul.—Sanctify, O Lord, the offerings of thy people by the prayers of Paul thy apostle: that what is acceptable to thee, because by thee instituted, may become still more acceptable by his in-

tercession.

† Of St. Prisca.—We beseech thee, O Lord, that the sacrifice we offer in honour of the martyrdom of thy saints, may loose the bonds of our sins, and procure for us the gifts of thy mercy. Thro'.

COMM.—Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I

will build my church.

P. COMM.—May the sacrifice we have offered. O Lord, fill us with holy joy: that as we publish the miracles thou hast wrought in the person of thy Apostle Peter, so we may, through his prayers receive the abundant effects of thy mercy. Thro'.

Of St. PAUL. Sanctificati.—Being sanctified, O Lord, by these saving mysteries, we pray that we may never be deprived of his intercession whom thou

hast appointed our patron and guide.

Of St. Prisca. Quasumus.—Being filled with these saving mysteries, we beseech thee, O Lord, that we may be assisted by the prayers of her whose festival we keep. Thro'.

XIX. St. WOLSTAN, Bishop of Worcester.

All as in Mass XI. p. 484, except

COLLECT. Spiritum.—Infuse into our souls, O Lord, the spirit of thy love: that by the intercession of blessed Wolstan, thy Confessor and Bishop, we may be made worthy to enjoy the fruits thereof in eternal felicity. Thro'.

SECRET.—Receive, we beseech thee, O Lord, the offerings of thy suppliant servants: and grant that what our guilty conciences dare not hope for, thy mercy would bestow on us, by the intercession

of blessed Wolstan. Thro'.

P. COMM. Salutaris.—Being replenished, O Lord, with thy wholesome mysteries, we humbly beseech thy clemency, that the prayers of him may not be wanting to us, under whose patronage thou hast placed us. Thro'.

XX. SS. FABIAN and SEBASTIAN mm.

1NTROIT. as in Mass VII. p. 475.

COLLECT. Infirmitatem with its Secret and P Comm. in the plural number, as in p. 462.

EPISTLE. Heb. xi. 33. 39.—Brethren: The saints by faith conquered kingdoms, wrought justice, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, recovered strength from weakness, became valiant in battle, put to flight the armies of foreigners: women received their dead raised to life again. But others were racked, not accepting deliverance, that they might find a better resurrection. And others had trial of mockeries and stripes, moreover also of bands and prisons: they were stoned. they were cut asunder, they were tempted, they were put to death by the sword, they wandered about in sheep-skins, and in goat-skins, being in want, distressed, afflicted: of whom the world was not worthy; wandering in deserts, in mountains, and in dens, and in caves of the earth. And all these being approved by the testimony of faith, in Christ Jesus our Lord.

GRAD. Exod. xv.—God is glorious in his saints, wonderful in his majesty, and performeth prodigies. V. Thy right-hand, O Lord, is magnified in strength: thy right-hand, O Lord, hath slain the enemy. Alleluia. V. Thy saints, O God, shall bless thee, and publish the glory of thy kingdom. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Luke vi. as in Mass VIII. p. 478.

OFFERT.—Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice ye righteous: and praise him all ye upright of heart.

COMM. Luke vi.—A great many that were diseased, and tormented by unclean spirits, came to him, because a virtue proceeded from him, and healed them all.

XXI. St. AGNES, v. m.

INTROIT, Me expectaverunt, as in p. 496.

COLLECT. Omnipotens .- O almighty and eternal God, who makest choice of the weak things of this world to confound the strong: mercifully grant that we, who celebrate the feast of blessed Agnes, thy Virgin and Martyr, may experience the effects of

her prayers. Thro'.

LESSON, as in Mass XVI. p. 493.

GRAD.—Grace is spread on thy lips, therefore hath God blessed thee for ever. V. For thy truth, meekness, and righteousness, shall thy right hand also lead thee on wonderfully. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. The five wise virgins took oil in their vessels with their lamps, and at midnight there was a cry: Behold the bridegroom cometh, go ye forth and meet Christ the Lord. Alleluia.

After Septuag. instead of Alleluia and V. is said the TRACT, Veni Sponsa, which with the Gospel and OFFERT. are also taken from Mass XVI. p. 494, &c. SECRET.—Favourably receive, O Lord, the offerings we make thee, and by the intercession of blessed Agnes, thy Virgin and Martyr, loosen the Thro'. bonds of our sins.

COMM.—The five wise virgins, &c. as in p. 499. P. COMM. Refecti.—Being refreshed, O Lord. with this heavenly meat and drink, we humbly beseech thee that we may be aided by her prayers, or whose festival we have received these sacred myste ries. Thro'.

XXII. SS. VINCENT and ANASTASIUS, mm.

All as in Mass VII. p. 475, except

COLLECT. Adesto.—Hear, O Lord, our earnest prayers, that we who are sensible of the guilt of our crimes, may be delivered therefrom by the prayers of thy blessed Martyrs Vincent and Anastasiur. Thro'.

SECRET.—We bring, as in Mass VIII. p. 479. P. COMM. Quasumus.—We beseech thee, O Almighty God, that by the intercession of thy blessed Martyrs Vincent and Anastasius, the heavenly food we have received may defend us from all adversity. Thro?

XXIII. St. RAYMOND of PENNAFORT, c. All as in Mass XIII. p. 488, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui beatum—O God, who didst make blessed Raymond an excellent minister of the sacrament of penance, and didst miraculously conduct him through the waves of the sea; grant, by his intercession, that we may bring forth worthy fruits of penance, and be enabled to arrive at the port of eternal salvation. Thro'

Commem. of St. Emerentiana, by the Collect, Indulgentian, with its Secret, and P. Comm. as in

Mass XVII. p. 496, &c.

XXIV. St. TIMOTHY, bp. m.

All as in Mass I. p. 461. except

EPISTLE. 1 Tim. vi. 11. 16.—Dear Brother: Pursue justice, godliness, faith, charity, patience, mildness. Fight the good fight of faith: lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art called, and hast confessed a good confession before many witnesses. I charge thee before God, who quickeneth all things, and before Christ Jesus, who gave testimony under Pontius Pilate, a good confession that thou keep the commandment without spot, blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, which in his times he shall shew, who is the Blessed, and only Mighty, the King of kings, and Lord of lords: who only hath minortality, and inhabiteth light inaccessible, whom no man hath seen nor can see; to whom be honour and empire everlasting. Amen.

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XXV. CONVERSION of St. PAUL.

INTROIT. 2 Tim. i.—I know whom I have believed and I am certain that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day. Ps. Lord thou hast proved me, and hast known me: thou hast known my sitting down, and my up-rising. V. Glory

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who, by the preaching of blessed Paul thy Apostle, didst instruct the whole world; grant, we beseech thee, that we, who this day, honour his conversion, may, by his example, learn to come to thee. Thro'.

Of St. Peter, Deus, qui beato, as on the Feast of his Chair at Rome, the 18th of January, p. 538.

LESSON. Acts ix. 1. 22.—In those days: Saul breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest, and asked of him letters to Damascus, to the synagogues, that if he found any men and women of this way, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. And as he went on his journey, it came to pass that he drew nigh to Damascus: and suddenly a light from heaven shined round about him. And falling on the ground he heard a voice saying to him: Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? Who said: Who art thou. Lord? And he said: I am Jesus of Nazareth. whom thou persecutest. It is hard for thee to kick against the goad. And he trembling and astonished, said: Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord said to him: Arise, and go into the city, and there it shall be told thee what thou must do. Now the men who went in company with him stood amazed, hearing indeed a voice, but seeing no man. And Saul arose from the ground, and when his eyes were opened he saw nothing. But they leading him by the hand, brought him to Damascus. And he was there three days without sight, and he did neither eat nor drink. Now there was a certain dis-

ciple at Damascus, named Ananias; and the Lord said to him in a vision: Ananjas. And he said: Behold I am here, Lord, And the Lord said to him: Arise and go into the street that is called Strait, and seek in the house of Judas, one named Saul of Tarsus. - For behold he prayeth. (And he saw a man named Ananias, coming in and putting his hands upon him, that he might recover his sight.) But Ananias answered: Lord. I have heard by many of this man, how much evil he hath done to thy saints in Jerusalem: and here he hath authority from the chief priests to bind all that invoke thy name. And the Lord said to him: Go thy way, for this man is to me a vessel of election, to carry my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel. For I will shew him how great things he must suffer for my name's And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house: and laying his hands upon him, he said: Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus hath sent me, he that appeared to thee in the way as thou camest: that thou mayest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost. And immediately there fell upon his eves as it were scales, and he received his sight: and rising up he was baptized. And when he had taken meat, he was strengthened. And he was with the disciples that were at Damascus for some days. And immediately he preached Jesus in the synagogues, that he is the Son of God. And all that heard him were astonished, and said: Is not this he who persecuted in Jerusalem those who called upon this name: and came hither for that intent that he might carry them bound to the chief priests? But Saul increased much more in strength, and confounded the Jews who dwelt in Damascus, affirming that this is the Christ.

GRAD. Gal. ii.—He who wrought in Peter to the apostleship, wrought in me, also, among the Z z 3

Gentiles: and they have known the grace of God that was given to me. V. The grace of God was not fruitless in me: but his grace always abideth in me. Allelvia, Allelvia. V. The great St. Paul was a chosen vessel, and truly worthy of honour: who also deserves to be seated on a twelfth throne. Alleluia.

After Septuag. instead of the Alleluia and V. is said TRACT. Thou, O holy Paul, the Apostle art a chosen vessel: thou art truly worthy of glory Thou wast the preacher of truth and the doctor of the Gentiles in the faith and in the truth. V. By thee all nations have known the grace of God. V. Intercede for us to God who chose thee.

GOSPEL. Matt. xix. as in Mass XV. p. 492. OFFERT. Ps. cxxxviii.—To me, O God, thy friends are made exceedingly honourable: their principality is exceedingly strengthened.

SECRET .- Sanctify, &c. as p. 539. Of St. Peter,

May the intercession, &c. ib.

COMM.—Verily I say to you: that you who have forsaken all things and followed me, shall receive an hundred fold and obtain eternal life.

P. COMM. Of St. Peter, May, &c. as on the 18th instant, p. 540.

XXVI. St. POLYCARP, bp. m. All as in Mass II. p. 464, except

EPISTLE. 1 John iii. 10. 16.-Most dearly beloved: Whosoever is not just, is not of God, nor he that loveth not his brother. For this is the declaration, which you have heard from the beginning, that you should love one another. Not as Cain. who was of the wicked one, and killed his brother. And wherefore did he kill him? Because his own works were wicked: and his brother's just. Wonder not, brethren, if the world hate you. We know that we have passed from death to life, because we

love the brethren. He that loveth not abideth in death. Whosoever hateth his brother, is a murderer. And you know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in himself. In this we have known the charity of God, because he hath laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.

GOSPEL. Matt. x. and P. COMM. Refecti, as in p. 469.

XXVII. St. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM, bp. c.

All as in Mass XII. p. 485, except COLLECT. Ecclesiam.—May thy heavenly grace, we beseech thee, O Lord, enlarge the Church which thou hast been pleased to enlighten by the resplen-dent virtues and learning of blessed John thy Confessor and Bishop. Thro'.

GRAD.—Behold a great Prelate, who in his days pleased God. V. There was none found like him in W. Blessed is the man who sufferent temptation, for when he hath been tried he shall receive a crown of life. Allelvia.

XXVIII. St. AGNES, v. m. a second time.

INTROIT. Vultum tuum, p. 499. COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who rejoicest us by the yearly solemnity of blessed Agnes, thy Virgin and Martyr; grant, we beseech thee, that we may imitate her life, to whose memory we pay this nonour. Thro'.

EPISTLE, Gradual and Tract, as in p. 500.

GOSPEL. Matt. xiii. as in p. 501.
OFFERT.—Grace is spread on thy lips, therefore

hath God blessed thee for ever.

SECRET.—May thy blessing, we beseech thee, O Lord, plentifully descend upon these our offerings that through thy merey they may both sanctify us

and cause us to rejoice in the solemnity of thy mar-

tyrs. Thro'-

COMM.—The kingdom of heaven is like to a merchant seeking good pearls, who having found one of great value, went and sold all his possessions and

bought it.

P. COMM. Sumpsimus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that the votive mysteries we have received on this annual solemnity, may both succour us in this temporal life, and procure for us that which will have no end. Thro'.

XXIX. St. FRANCIS de SALES.

All as in Mass X. * p. 482, except COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who for the salvation of souls wast pleased that blessed Francis. thy Confessor and Bishop, should become all to all: mercifully grant, that, being plentifully enriched with the sweetness of thy charity, by following his direc-tions, and by the help of his merits, we may obtain life everlasting. Thro'.

XXX. St. PETER NOLASCUS, c.

All as in Mass XIV. p. 489, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.-O God, who, in imitation of thy charity, didst inspire blessed Peter to institute a new order in the Church for the redemption of captives; grant, by his intercession, that being delivered from the slavery of sin, we may enjoy everlasting liberty in our heavenly country. Thro'.

February I. St. IGNATIUS, bp. m.

INTROIT, Gal. vi.—God forbid that I should glory save but in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ: by whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. Ps. cxxxi. Remember David, O Lord, and all his meekness. V. Glorv.

Coll. Secr. and P. Comm. as in Mass 1. p. 462.

EPISTLE. Rom. viii. 35. 39.—Brethren: Who then shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation? or distress? or famine? or nakedness? or danger? or persecution? or the sword? (As it is written: "For thy sake we are put to death all the day long. We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.") But in all these things we overcome, because of him that hath loved us. For I am sure that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor might, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

GRAD. Behold, as on January 27, p. 547.

Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Gal. ii.—With Christ 1 am nailed to the cross: I live, now not 1, but Christ liveth in me. Alleluia.

After Septuag. instead of Alleluia and V. is said the

TRAC'I, Desiderium, p. 462.

GOSPEL. John xii. as on St. Laurence, Aug. 10. OFFERT.—Thou hast crowned, as in p. 467.

COMM.—I am the wheat of Christ: I am to be ground by the teeth of wild beasts, that I may be found pure bread.

II. PURIFICATION of the B. V. MARY.

THIS feast is kept, not only in remembrance of our Saviour's Presentation in the Temple forty days after his birth, (in compliance with the law of Moses, Lev. xii.) but also in commemoration of his blessed Mother's purifying herself, by offering that sacrifice in the temple, which was prescribed by the same law. Its institution must be of an early date, since we find mention made of it in the 5th century. By the distribution of the blessed candles, the faithful are exhorted to be as piously disposed as holy Simeon was when he took Christ in his arms, and prophesied that he should become the Light of the Gentiles and

the GLORY of Israel. Let us therefore receive the can dles from the hands of the Priest with a becoming piety, as an emblem of Christ, who is the light of our souls, and with him let us also offer up ourselves, as purified by his blood to his Eternal Father.

At the BLESSING of the CANDLES.

The Lord be with you. R. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray. Domine sancte.

TOLY Lord, Father Almighty and Eternal God, H who didst create all things cut of nothing, and by the labour of the bees following thy commands, hast brought this liquor to the perfection of wax; and who, on this day, didst accomplish the desire of the righteous Simeon, we humbly beseech thee, that by the invocation of thy most holy name. and by the intercession of blessed Mary, ever a virgin, whose festival we this day devoutly celebrate, and by the prayers of all thy saints, thou wouldst vouchsafe to bless + and sanctify + these candles. for the service of men, and for the good of their bodies and souls in all places; and that thou wouldst please mercifully to hear from thy holy temple, and from the throne of thy majesty, the prayers of this thy people, who desire to carry them in their hands with reverence, and with sacred hymns to praise thy name; and shew mercy to all that cry out unto thee, whom thou hast redeemed by the precious blood of thy beloved Son: who liveth. R. Amen.

Let us pray. Omnipotens sempiterne Deus.

ALMIGHTY and Eternal God, who on this day wast pleased that thy only Son should be presented in the temple, and be received into the arms of holy Simeon: we humbly beseech thy mercy to bless 4, sunctify 4, and give the light of thy neavenly benediction to these candles, which we thy servants desire to carry in honour of thy name: that by offering them to thee, our Lord God, we may be inflamed with the fire of thy sweet love, and made

worthy to be presented in the holy temple of thy glory. Thro' the same. R. Amen.

Let us pray. Domine Jesu.

ORD Jesus Christ, the true light, that enlighten eth every man that cometh into the world: pour forth thy blessing 4 upon these candles, and sanctify 4 them by the light of thy grace: and grant in thy mercy, that as these candles, by their visible light, dispel the darkness of the night, so our hearts, burning with invisible fire, and enlightened by the grace of the Holy Ghost, may be delivered from all blindness of sin: that the eye of our soul being purified, we may discern those things that are pleasing to thee, and beneficial to our souls: that after having finished the darksome passage of this life, we may come to never-fading joys through thee, O Jesus Christ, the Saviour of the world, who, in perfect Trinity livest. R. Amen.

Let us pray. Omnipotens sempiterne.

ALMIGHTY and Eternal God, who, by thy servant Moses, commandest the purest oil to be prepared for lamps, continually to burn in thy presence, mercifully pour forth the grace of thy blessing 4 on these candles: that as they supply us with visible light, so, by thy assistance, the light of thy Spirit may never be wanting inwardly in our souls. Thro. R. Amen.

Let us pray. Domine Jesu.

ORD Jesus Christ, who appearing amongst men in the substance of her flesh, wast pleased this day to be presented in the temple by thy parents, and whom the venerable Simeon, enlightened by the Holy Ghost, publicly confessing, received in his arms, and blessed: mercifully grant, that, being inspired and taught by the grace of the same holy Spirit, we may sincerely acknowledge and faithfully love thee: who with God the Father, in the unity of the same Holy Spirit, livest, &c. R. Amen.

Here the Priest having put incense in the Censer sprinkles the Candles with Holy Water, saying, Sprinkle, &c. p. xiii. without the Ps. After fun-ing them he distributes them to the Faithful, who receive them kneeling, first kissing the Candle, and then the Hand of the Priest. During the Distribution of the Candles is sung.

ANT. Lumen ad revelationem Gentium, et gloriam plebis tuæ Israel.

CANTICLE, Luke ii.

TUNC dimittis servum tuum Domine: * secun-IN dum verbum tuum in pace. Ant. Lumen, &c. Quia viderunt oculi mei: * salutare tuum.-

Ant. Lumen. &c.

Quod parasti * ante faciem omnium populorum. Ant. Lumen. &c.

Gloria Patri, &c. Ant. Lumen, &c.

Sicut erat in principio, &c. Ant. Lumen, &c.

Then is sung the following

Ant. Exurge Domine adjuva nos: et libera nos propter nomen tuum. Ps. Deus auribus nostris audivimus; patres nostri annuntiaverunt nobis. V. Gloria. Ant. Exurge, to Ps.

After Septuag. when this Festival does not fall on a

Sunday, is said

P. Flectamus genua. R. Levate.

PRAYER. Exaudi.—Give ear, we beseech thee, O Lord, to thy people; that what we outwardly perform by this yearly devotion, we may inwardly obtain the effects of, by the light of thy grace. Thro Amen.

At Mass the Candles are held lighted during the Gos pel, and from the Consecration, till after the Com munion.

INTROIT, * Suscepimus, as in p. 411. COLLECT. Omnipotens.—O Almighty and Eternal God, we humbly beseech thy divine majesty, that as thy only Son in the substance of our flesh, was this day presented in the temple, so our souls, being perfectly cleansed, may become a pure obla-

tion and presented to thee. Thro'.

LESSON. Mal. iii. 1. 4. - Thus saith the Lord God: Behold I send my angel, and he shall prepare the way before my face. And presently the Lord whom you seek, and the angel of the Testament whom you desire, shall come to his temple. Behold he cometh, saith the Lord of hosts: and who shall be able to think of the day of his coming? and who shall stand to see him? For he is like a refining fire, and like the fuller's herb; and he shall sit refining and cleansing the silver, and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and shall refine them as gold, and as silver, and they shall offer sacrifices to the Lord in justice. And the sacrifice of Judea and Jerusalem shall please the Lord, as in the days of old, and in the ancient years: saith the Lord Almighty.

GRAD. Ps. xlvii.—We have received thy mercy O God, in the midst of thy temple; according to thy name, O God, so also is thy praise unto the ends of the earth. V. As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of our God, on his holy mountain. Alleluia. Alleluia. V. The old man carried the Child, and the Child governed the old man. Alleluia.

After Septuag. instead of Alleluia and V. is said TRACT. Nunc dimittis.—Now thou dost dismiss thy servant, O Lord, according to thy word, in peace. Because my eyes have seen thy salvation. Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people. A light to the revelation of the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel.

GOSPEL. Luke ii. 22 32. — At that time: After the days of the purification of Mary, according to the law of Moses, were accomplished, they carried Jesus to Jerusalem, to present him to the Lord. As it is written in the law of the Lord, Every male opening the womb shall be called holy to the Lord.

And to offer a sacrifice according as it is written in the law of the Lord, a pair of turtle doves, or two young pigeons. And behold there was a man in Jerusalem named Simeon, and this man was just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel: and the Holy Ghost was in him. And he had received an answer from the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Christ of the Lord. And he came by the Spirit into the temple. And when his parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the law, he also took him into his arms, and blessed God, and said: Now thou dost dismiss thy servant, O Lord, according to thy word, in peace. Because my eves have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all peoples: a light to the revelation of the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. xliv.—Grace is spread on thy lips. therefore hath God blessed thee for ever and ever.

SECRET.-Mercifully hear our prayers, O Lord, and grant us the assistance of thy mercy, that what we offer to thy divine majesty may be worthy to be accepted. Thro'.

PREFACE, Quia per incarnati, p. xxx.

COMM. Luke i.—Simeon, received an answer from the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death till he beheld the Christ of the Lord.

P. COMM. Quasumus.-We beseech thee, O Lord our God, that the sacred mysteries we have received to preserve our new life, may by the intercession of blessed Mary, ever a Virgin, become a remedy to us both now and for the future. Thro'.

When the Purification falls on Septuagesima, Sexagesima, or Quinquagesima Sunday, although the Candles are blessed. &c. yet the Mass is deferred till next day.

IV. St. ANDREW CORSINI, bp c.

All as in Mass X*. p. 482, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who in every age furnishest the Church with fresh examples of virtue: grant thy faithful so closely to imitate blessed Andrew, thy Confessor and Bishop, as to be, one day, partakers in his reward. Thro'.

V. St. AGATHA, v. m.

All as in Mass XVI. p. 493, except

INTROIT.—Let us rejoice in the Lord, and celebrate this festival in honour of blessed Agatha the Martyr, for whose martyrdom the angels rejoice, and join in the praises of the Son of God. *Ps.* My heart hath uttered a good word: I speak my works

to the king. V. Glory.

EPISTLE. 1 Cor. i. 26. 31.—Brethren: See your vocation, that there are not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble: but the foolish things of the world hath God chosen, that he may confound the wise: and the weak things of the world hath God chosen, that he may confound the strong: and the base things of the world, and the things that are contemptible hath God chosen, and things that are not, that he might bring to nought things that are, that no flesh should glory in his sight. But of him are you in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and justice, and sanctification, and redemption: that, as it is written, He that glorieth, may glory in the Lora.

GRAD. Ps. xlv.—God will assist her with his looks: God is in her, and she shall not fail. 17. A swift running stream rejoiceth the city of God the Most High hath consecrated his tabernacle. Alta via,

Alleluia. V. I spoke of thy testimonies before kings, and I was not ashamed. Alleluia.

After Septuag. instead of Alleluia and V. is said TRACT, Qui seminant, p. 476.

GOSPEL. Matt. xix. 3, 12, -At that time: The Pharisees came to Jesus tempting him, and saying: Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife for every cause? Who answering, said to them: Have ve not read, that he who made man from the beginning, made them male and female? And he said: For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife, and they two shall be in one flesh. Therefore now they are not two, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let no man put asunder. They say to him: Why did Moses command to give a bill of divorce, and to put away? He saith to them: Because Moses, by reason of the hardness of your heart, permitted you to put away your wives: but from the beginning it was not so. And I say to you, that whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication. and shall marry another, committeth adultery; and he that shall marry her that is put away, committeth adultery. His disciples say unto him: If the case of a man with his wife be so, it is not expedient to marry. Who said to them: All men take not this word, but they to whom it is given. For there are eunuchs, who were born so from their mother's womb: and there are eunuchs, who were made so by men: and there are eunuchs, who have made themselves eunuchs for the kingdom of heaven. He that can take, let him take it.

COMM.—He who vouchsafed to heal all my wounds, and restore my breast to my body, is the

living God, whom I call upon.

VIII. St. JOHN of MATHA, c. All as in Mass XIII. p. 488, except

COLLECT. Deus .- O God, who by Holy John was pleased under thy heavenly directions to institute the Order of the Most Holy Trinity, for the redemption of captives out of the hands of the Saracens: grant, we beseech thee, that by his merits we may be delivered, by thy grace, from all captivity of both body and mind. Thro'.

X. St. SCHOLASTICA, v.

All as in Mass XIX. p. 498, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.-O God, who to recommend to us innocence of life, wast pleased to let the soul of thy blessed Virgin Scholastica ascend to heaven in the shape of a dove: grant by her merits and prayers, that we may lead innocent lives here, and ascend to eternal joys hereafter. Thro'.

XIV. St. VALENTINE, pr. and m.

All as in Mass III. p. 466, except

COLLECT. Præsta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we who solemnize the festival of blessed Valentine, thy Martyr, may, by his instruction be delivered from all the evils that threaten us. Thro'.

SECRET.-Be appeased, O Lord, we beseech thee, with the offerings we have made, and by the intercession of blessed Valentine, thy Martyr, defend us from all dangers. Thro'.

P. COMM. Sit nobis .- May this divine sacrament strengthen us, O Lord, both in body and soul, that by the intercession of blessed Valentine, thy Martyr, we may receive the effects of what we celebrate. Thro'.

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XXIV. or XXV. St. MATTHIAS, ap. INTROIT, Mihi autem, as in p. 524.

COLLECT. Deus.—O God, who didst add blessed Matthias to the number of thy Apostles, grant, we beseech thee, that by his prayers we may be ever sensible of the effects of thy mercy. Thro'.

LESSON. Acts i. 15. 26.—In those days: Peter rising up in the midst of the brethren, said: (now the number of persons together was about an hundred and twenty.) Men brethren, the scripture must needs be fulfilled which the Holy Ghost spoke before by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who was the leader of them that apprehended Jesus: who was numbered with us, and had obtained part of this ministry. And he indeed hath possessed a field of the reward of iniquity, and being hanged, burst asunder in the midst: and all his bowels gushed out. And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem: so that the same field was called in their tongue Haceldama, that is to say, the field of blood. For it is written in the book of Psalms: Let their habitation become desolate, and let there be none to dwell therein. And his bishopric let another take. Wherefore of these men who have companied with us, all the time that the Lord Jesus came in and went out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day wherein he was taken up from us, one of these must be made a witness with us of his resurrection. And they appointed two, Joseph, called Barsabas, who was surnamed Justus, and Matthias. And praying they said: Thou, Lord, who knowest the hearts of all men, shew whether of these two thou hast chosen, to take the place of this ministry and apostleship, from which Judas hath by transgression fallen, that he might go to his own place. And they gave them lots, and the lot fell upon Matthias and he was numbered with the eleven

apostles.

GRAD. Ps. exxxviii.—Thy friends, O God, are made exceedingly honourable: their principality is exceedingly strengthened. V. 1 will number them, and they shall be multiplied above the sand.

TRACT, Desiderium animæ, p. 462.

GOSPEL. Matt. xi. as on 15th January, p. 537. OFFERT. Ps. xliv.—Thou shalt make them princes over all the earth: they shall remember thy

name, O Lord, throughout all generations.

SECRET.—Grant, O Lord, that (the prayer of blessed Matthias thy apostle, accompanying the offerings we make to thy holy name) we may be both cleansed from our sins, and defended thereby. Thro'.

COMM. Matt. xix.—You who have followed me, shall sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

P. COMM. Præsta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that by virtue of the sacrament we have received, and the intercession of blessed Matthias, thy apostle, we may obtain the pardon of our sins and peace. Thro'.

March II. St. CHAD, Bishop of Litchfield.

All as in Mass XI. p. 484, except

COLLECT. Omnipotens.—Almighty and eternal God, who rejoicest us this day in the observation of the festival of blessed Chad, thy confessor and bishop, we humbly beseech thy elemency, that, as we devoutly observe his solemnity, we may through his intercession obtain the reward of eternal life. Thro'.

SECRET.—Be favourable, O Lord, to our prayers: and grant, by the intercession of blessed Chad, thy confessor and bishop, that by assisting at these mysteries, we may be delivered from all sin, and purified by thy grace. Thro'.

P. COMM. Prasta.—Grant, we beseen the O Lord, our God, that we who have offered to thee these divine mysteries, may obtain thy mercy and advance to a full enjoyment of them above. Thro.

IV. St. CASIMIR, c.

All as in Mass XIII. p. 488, except

COLLECT. Deus. qui.—O God, who amidst the delights of a court, and the attractive snares of the world, didst preserve holy Casimir constant and faithful in thy service: grant, we beseech thee, that by his intercession, thy people may despise the transitory things of this world, and eagerly pursue those that are everlasting. Thro'.

Here is made a Commem. of St. Lucius by the

Collect, &c. of Mass II. p. 464.

VII. St. THOMAS of AQUIN, c. D. All as in Mass XII. p. 485, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O: God, who by the wonderful learning of blessed Thomas, thy confessor, hast illustrated thy Church, and by his virtues hast enlarged it: grant, we beseech thee, that we may understand what he taught, and, in our lives, follow

what he practised. Thro'.

LESSON. Wisd. vii. 7. 14.—I wished, and understanding was given me: and I called upon God, and the spirit of wisdom came upon me: and I preferred her before kingdoms and thrones, and esteemed riches nothing in comparison of her. Neither did I compare unto her any precious stone, for all gold in comparison of her is as a little sand, and silver in respect to her shall be counted as clay. I loved her above health and beauty, and chose to have her instead of light, for her light cannot be put out. Now all good things came to me together with her, and innumerable riches through her hands. And I re-

joiced in them all: for this wisdom went before me, and I knew not that she was the mother of them all. Which I have learned without guile, and communicate without envy, and her riches I hide not. For she is an infinite treasure to men, which they that use become the friends of God, being commended for the gifts of discipline.

IX. St. FRANCES, w.

All as in Mass XXI. p. 502, except

COLLECT. Deus.—O God, who amongst other privileges of thy grace didst honour blessed Frances, thy handmaid, with the familiar company of Angels: grant, we beseech thee, by her prayers, that we also may be admitted into their society. Thro'.

X. The FORTY MARTYRS.

INTROIT. Ps. xxxiii.—The just cried and the Lord heard them: and delivered them out of all their troubles. Ps. I will bless the Lord at all times: his praise shall be always in my mouth. V. Glorv.

COLLECT. Præsta. — Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that as we have seen the courage of thy holy martyrs, in the confession of thy faith, so we may experience their kindness in interceding with thee for us. Thro?

EPISTLE, Heb. xi. as on January 20, p. 541.

GRAD. Ps. exxxii.—Behold how good and pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity V. It is like the precious ointment on the head, that ran down upon the beard, the beard of Aaron.

TRACT, Qui seminant, as in Mass VII. p. 476. and GOSPEL, Luke vi. from Mass VII. p. 478.

OFFERT. Ps. xxxi.—Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O ye just; and glory all ye right of heart.

SECRET. — Mercifully look down, O Lord, on the sacrifice we offer thee: and grant, by the intercession of thy martyrs, that it may increase our devotion, and avail to our salvation. Thro'.

COMM.—Matt. xii.—Whoever shall do the will of my Father, that is in heaven: he is my brother

and sister, and mother, saith the Lord.

P. COMM. Quæsumus.—We beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we may one day obtain the effects of that salvation, of which we have received the pledge in these mysteries. Thro'.

XI. St. JOHN of GOD. All as in Mass XIII. p. 488, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who didst grant thy servant John, being inflamed with the fire of thy love, to walk without hurt through the midst of flames, and by him institute a new order in thy Church: grant, by his merits, that the fire of thy charity may cure our diseased souls, and obtain for us eternal remedies.

GOSPEL. Matt. xxii. as in p. 432.

XII. St. GREGORY, p. c.

INTROIT, Sacerdotes tui, Mass XI. p. 484.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who hast rewarded the soul of blessed Gregory, thy servant, with eternal bliss: mercifully grant that we who are oppressed by the weight of our sins, may find relief by his intercession. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 2 Tim. as in Mass XII. p. 486.

GRAD.—The Lord hath sworn, and he will not repent, thou art a priest for ever according to the order of Melchisedech. V. The Lord said to my Lord, sit thou at my right-hand.

TRACT, Beatus vir, as in p. 465.

GOSPEL, Matt. v. as in p. 487.

SECRET.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, by the intercession of blessed Gregory, that this sacrifice may be beneficial to us, by the offering of which thou hast been pleased to carcel the sins of the world. 'Thro'.

COMM.—This is the prudent and faithful servant, whom the Lord placed over his family, to give them

their measure of wheat in due season.

P. COMM. Deus, qui.—O God, who didst equal blessed Gregory, thy Bishop, to the rest of thy saints in merit: mercifully grant, that as we celebrate his memory, we may also follow his example. Thro'.

XVII. St. PATRICK, ap. and patron of Ireland.

All as in Mass X.* p. 482, except COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who wast pleased to send blessed Patrick thy Bishop and Confessor. to preach thy glory to the Gentiles: grant, that by his merits and intercession we may, through thy grace, be enabled to keep thy commandments.—The?

XIX. St. JOSEPH, c.

INTROIT, Justus ut palma, Mass XIV. p. 489. CQLLECT. Sanctissimæ.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that we may be assisted by the merits of the spouse of thy most Holy Virgin Mother, and that what we cannot obtain through our own weakness, may be granted us by his prayers. Who.

Lesson, Eccles. xlv. p. 491. Grad. Ps. xx. p. 492, an l T. act, Ps. cxi. p. 465.

GOSPEL. Matt. i. 18. 21.—When Mary, the mother of Jesus was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. Whereupon Joseph her husband, being .

a just man, and not willing publicly to expose her, was minded to put her away privately. But while he thought on these things, behold the angel of the Lord appeared to him in his sleep, saying: Joseph, son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife, for that which is conceived in her, is of the Holy Ghost. And she shall bring forth a Son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus. For he shall save his people from their sins.

OFFERT.-My truth and my mercy are with

him: and in my name shall his power be exalted. SECRET.—We pay thee, O Lord, our bounden homage, humbly beseching thee, to preserve in us thy gifts, by the prayers of blessed Joseph, the husband of the Mother of our Lord Jesus Christ, thy Son, on whose festival we offer thee this sacrifice of praise. Thro'.

COMM.-Joseph, son of David, fear not to take Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is

of the Holy Ghost.

P. COMM.—Adesto.—Hear us, O merciful God, and vouchsafe, by the intercession of blessed Joseph, thy confessor, to preserve in us, what thou hast bestowed on us. Thro'.

XX. St. CUTHBERT, bp. of Lindisfarne, c. All as in Mass XI. p. 484, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who didst render the saints glorious by the inestimable gifts of thy grace, grant, by the prayers of blessed Cuthbert, thy confessor and bishop, that we may worthily arrive at the summit of virtue. Thro'.

SECRET.-Receive, we beseech thee, O Lord, the sacrifice of the redemption of mankind, and by the prayers of blessed Cuthbert, thy confessor and bishop, may it procure for us health of body and soul. Thro'.

P. COMM. Sancta.—May the holy mysteries we nave received, O Lord, protect us by their efficacy, and through the intercession of blessed Cuthbert, thy confessor and bishop the lustre of whose life shined so gloriously, preserve us in peace and holiness. Thro'.

XXV. ANNUNCIATION of the B. V. M.

INTROIT, Vultum tuum, Mass XX. p. 499.

For the Collect, Secret, and P. Comm. see the II. Collect, &c., on the first Sunday of Advent, pages 50 and 52.

LESSON. See II. Lesson, Is. vii. 10. 16. p. 59.

GRAD.—Grace is spread on thy lips: therefore hath the Lord blessed thee for ever. V. For thy truth, meekness and righteousness, shall thy right hand lead thee on wonderfully.

TRACT, Ps. xliv.—Audi filia, p. 498.

After Easter, instead of the foregoing Grad. and Tract, is said Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Ave Maria, gratia plena: Dominus tecum: benedicta tu in muleribus. Alleluia. V. Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou amongst women. Alleluia. V. A Sucker of Jesse hath brudded: a Virgin hath brought forth HIM who is God and man: God hath restored peace, by reconciling in his person, the highest things with the lowest. Alleluia.

GOŚPEL. Luke i. 26. 38.—At that time: The angel Gabriel was sent from God into a city of Galilee, called Nazareth, to a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. And the angel being come in, said unto her: Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. Who having heard, was troubled at his saying, and thought with herself what manner of salutation this should be. And

the angel said to her: Fear not, Mary, for thou hast found grace with God. Behold thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and shalt bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of David his father: and he shall reign in the house of Jacob for ever, and of his kingdom there shall be no end. And Mary said to the angel: How shall this be done, because I know not man? And the angel answering, said to her: The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Most High shall overshadow thee. And therefore also the Holy which shall be born of thee, shall be called the Son of God. And behold thy cousin Elizabeth she also hath conceived a son in her old age; and this is the sixth month with her that is called barren: because no word shall be impossible with God. And Mary said: Behold the handmaid of the Lord, be it done to me according to thy word.

OFFERT. Luke i.—Hail Mary full of grace, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou amongst women.

and blessed is the fruit of thy womb.

COMM. Isaiah vii.—Behold a virgin shall conceive and bring forth a son, and his name shall be called Emmanuel.

April II. St. FRANCIS of PAULA, c.

All as in Mass XIV. p. 489, except

COLLECT. Deus, humilium.—O God, who exaltest the humble, and didst raise blessed Francis to the glory of thy saints: grant, we beseech thee, through his intercession, that by following his example, we may happily obtain the rewards thou hast promised to the humble. IThro'.

EPISTLE. Phil. iii. as on January 15, p. 536.

SECRET.—May the offerings, O Lord, of thy devout people, which we lay upon thy altars, by the merits of blessed Francis, be advantageous to us and

pleasing to thee. Thro'.

P. COMM. Sumpta.—May the heavenly sacraments, O Lord, which we have received, through the prayers of blessed Francis, secure for us all necessary help, as well for this life as for that which is to come. Thro?.

III. St. RICHARD, bp. of Chichester, c.

All as in Mass X. p. 482, except

COLLECT. Deus qui.—O God, who hast enlightened thy Church by the merits and resplendent miracles of blessed Richard, thy confessor and bishop, grant that we thy servants may, through his inter-

cession, obtain eternal glory. Thro'.

SECRET.—Grant, we be seech thee, merciful God, that the gifts we have offered in the sight of thy divine Majesty, may, by the prayers of blessed Richard, thy confessor and bishop, obtain for us the grace of living holily and obtaining eternal glory. Thro'.

P. COMM. Hac sacro sancta.—May these holy mysteries, O Lord, of which blessed Richard, thy confessor and bishop is the dispenser, confer on us their salutary effects. Thro'.

V. St. VINCENT FERRERIUS, c.

All as in Mass XIII. p. 488, except

COLLECT. Deus.—O God, who wast pleased to enlighten thy Church by the virtues and preaching of blessed Vincent, thy confessor: grant, that we thy servants may be instructed by his example, and by his prayers, delivered from all evil. Thro'.

XI. St. LEO, p. c. D.

All as in Mass XII. p. 445, except

LESSON. Eccles. xliv. and xlv. p. 482. GOSPEL. Matt. xvi. as on the Feast of SS. Peter and Paul, June 29, p. 608.

XIII. St. HERMENEGILD, m.

All as in Mass III. p. 466, except

COLLECT. Deus.—O God, by whose holy spirit blessed Hermenegild, thy martyr, was taught to despise an earthly for a heavenly crown: grant we beseech thee, that, by his example, we may learn to despise temporal things, and fix our hearts on those which are eternal. Thro?

GOSPEL. Luke xiv. 26. 33.—At that time: Jesus saith to the multitude: If any man come to me. and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple. And whosoever doth not carry his cross and come after me, cannot be my disciple. For which of you having a mind to build a tower, doth not first sit down and reckon the charges that are necessary, whether he have wherewithal to finish it. Lest after he hath laid the foundation, and is not able to finish it, all that see it begin to mock him, saying: This man began to build, and was not able to finish. Or what king about to go and make war against another king, doth not first sit down and think, whether he be able with ten thousand to meet him that with twenty thousand cometh against him. Or else while the other is yet afar off he sendeth an embassy, and desireth conditions of peace. So likewise every one of you that doth not renounce all that he possesseth, cannot be my disciple.

XIV. St. TIBURTIUS, &c. mm.

All as in Mass VI. p. 473, except

COLLECT. Præsta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we who solemnize the festival of thy holy Martyrs, Tiburtius, Valerian, and Maximus, may likewise imitate their virtues. Thro'.

LESSON. Wisd. and GOSPEL. John, from p. 471. SECRET.—We beseech thee, O Lord, that the sacrifice which we offer thee in honour of the triumphs of thy Martyrs, may loose the bonds of our sins, and procure us the gifts of thy mercy. Thro'.

P COMM. Sacro munere.—Being filled with thy heavenly gifts, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord, that what we perform as an homage due to thee, may avail us to salvation. Thro'.

XVII. St. ANICETE, p. m.

All as in Mass V. p. 470, except

GOSPEL. John xvi. 20. 32.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: Amen, amen I say to you, that you shall lament and weep, but the world shall rejoice: and you shall be made sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy. A woman, when she is in labour hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but when she hath brought forth the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is brought into the world. So also you now indeed have sorrow, but I will see you again, and your hearts shall rejoice: and your joy no man shall take from you.

XXII. SS. SOTER and CAIUS, bps. mm.

• All as in Mass VI. p. 473, except

LESSON. Apoc. xix. 1. 9.—In those days: I John heard as it were the voice of many multitudes 3 B 3

in heaven, saving: Alleluia: salvation, and glory. and power is to our God: for true and just are his judgments, who hath judged the great harlot which corrupted the earth with her fornication, and hath revenged the blood of his servants at her hands. And again they said: Alleluia. And her smoke ascendeth for ever and ever. And the four and twenty ancients, and the four living creatures fell down and adored God that sitteth upon the throne, saying: Amen, Alleluia. And a voice came out from the throne, saying: Give praise to our God, all ve his servants: and you that fear him, little and great. And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude. and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of great thunders, saying: Alleluia: for the Lord our God, the Almighty hath reigned. Let us be glad and rejoice, and give glory to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath prepared herself. And it is granted to her that she should clothe herself with fine linen glittering and white. For the fine linen are the justifications of the saints And he said to me: Write: blessed are they that are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

XXIII. S. GEORGE, m. Patron of England. All as in Mass V. p. 470, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui nos beati.—O God, who by the merits and prayers of blessed George, thy Martyr, fillest the hearts of thy people with joy: mercifully grant, through his intercession, that the blessing we ask, we may happily obtain by means of thy grace. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 2 Tim. as in Mass IV. p. 468.

SECRET.—Sanctify, O Lord, the offerings we have made; and, through the intercession of blessed George, thy Martyr, by them cleanse us from the stains of our sins. Thro'.

P. COMM. Supplices.—We humbly beseech thee. O Almighty God, that those whom thou hast refreshed with thy sacraments, may, by the intercession of blessed George, thy Martyr, by a life well-pleasing to thee, worthily serve thee. Thro'.

XXIV. St. FIDELIS, m.

All as in Mass V. p. 470, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who didst fill the heart of blessed Fidelis with the fire of seraphic love; and whilst he laboured in the propagation of the true faith, didst honour him with the crown of martyrdom and the gift of miracles: grant, we beseech thee, that by his merits and intercession, we may be so confirmed by thy grace, as to be found faithful in thy service even unto death. Thro'.

XXV. St. MARK, the Evangelist.

A DREADFUL plague having broke out at Rome, anno 589, which carried off a great number of the people, and among the rest Pope Pelagius, who then sat in St. Peter's Chair, St. Gregory his successor appointed public prayers for appeasing the anger of God, the happy effects of which became so evident by the immediate cessation thereof, that the same pious custom has been ever since continued. Wherefore, since by our repeated transgressions we also have just reason to deprecate the scourges of divine vengeance, let us this day humble ourselves by prayer and abstinence before the throne of mercy, beseeching God to preserve us from all pestilential distempers, forgive us our sins; and grant his blessing on the fruit of the earth.

INTROIT, Protexisti, as in r. 470.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who didst raise blessed Mark, thy evangelist, to the honourable commission of preaching the gospel. grant, we besech thee, that we may ever receive penent from his in structions, and be defended by Ali Aavers. Thro'

LESSON. Ezek. i. 10. 14.—'The likeness of the four living creatures was this: there was the face of a man, and the face of a lion on the right side of all the four; and the face of an ox on the left side of all the four; and the face of an eagle over all the four. And their faces and their wings were stretched upward: two wings of every one were joined, and two covered their bodies. And every one of them went straight forward: whither the impulse of the spirit was to go, thither they went, and they turned not when they went. And as for the likeness of the living creatures, their appearance was like that of burning coals of fire, and like the appearance of lamps. This was the vision running to and fro in the midst of the living creatures, a bright fire, and lightning going forth from the fire. And the living creatures ran and returned like flashes of lightning.

Alleluia, Alleluia. The heavens, O Lord, declare thy wonders, and the fulfilling of thy promise in the assembly of the saints. Allehua.

GOSPEL. Luke x. 1. 9.—At that time: The Lord appointed other seventy-two; and he sent them two and two before his face into every city and place whither he himself was to come. And he said to them: the harvest indeed is great, but the labourers are few. Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest. that he send labourers unto his harvest. Go: behold I send you as lambs among wolves. Carry neither purse, nor scrip, nor shoes; and salute no man by the way. Into whatsoever house you enter, first say: Peace be to this house, and if the son of peace be there, your peace shall rest upon him: but if not, it shall return to you. And in the same house remain, eating and drinking such things as they have. For the labourer is worthy of his hire. Remove not from house to house. And into what city soever you enter, and they receive you, eat such things as are set before you; and heal the sick that are there a, and say to them: the kingdom of God is come nigh

unto you. Creno.

SECRET.—Bringing thee our offerings, O Lord. on this solemnity of blessed Mark, the evangelist, we humbly beseech thee, that as the preaching of the gospel raised him to glory, so his intercession may make us both in word and deed, well pleasing to thee. Thro?

COMM. Ps. lxiii.—The just man, &c. p. 472.

P. COMM. Tribuant nobis.—May thy sacred mysteries, O Lord, afford us continual help, so as by the prayers of blessed Mark, thy evangelist, they may ever defend us from all adversity. Thro'.

For the Litanies, see Rogation Days, p. 359.

XXVI. SS. CLETUS & MARCELLINE, bps. mm. All as in Mass VI. p. 473, except

COLLECT. Beatorum.—Grant, O Lord, that the glorious confession of thy blessed martyrs and bishops, Cletus and Marcelline, may strengthen us, and their pious intercession continually defend us. Thro'. Comm. of St. George. by the Collect, &c. p. 571.

XXIX. St. PETER, m.

All as in Mass XV. p. 470, except

COLLECT. Prasta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we may with true zeal profess the faith of blessed Peter thy martyr, for the propagation whereof he was crowned with a glorious death. Thro'.

Commem. of St. George, p. 570.

SECRET.—Favourably regard, O Lord, the prayers we offer thee, and by the intercession of blessed Peter, thy martyr, continually protect the defenders of the faith. Thro'.

P. COMM. Fideles.—May the sacraments we have received, O Lord, preserve thy faithful, and by the

intercession of blessed Peter, thy martyr defend us against the assaults of the enemy. Thro'.

May I. SS. PHILIP and JAMES, aps.

INTROIT. 2 Esdras ix.—They cried out unto thee, O Lord, in their affliction: and thou didst hear them from heaven. Alleluia, Alleluia. Ps. Rejoice, in the Lord, O ye just praise becometh the upright. V. Glorv.

COLLECT. Deus, qui nos annua.—O God, who comfortest us by the yearly solemnity of thy apostles Philip and James: grant, we beseech thee, that we may be instructed by their example, for whose merits we rejoice. Thro'.

LESSON, Wisd. v. as in p. 471.

Alleluia, Alleluia. V. The heavens shall confess thy wonders, O Lord: and thy truth in the Church of the saints. Alleluia. V. So long a time have I been with you, and have you not known me? Philip, he that seeth me, seeth my Father also. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. John xiv. 1. 13. - At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: Let not your hearts be troubled. You believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many mansions. If not, I would have told you, that I go to prepare a place for you. And if I shall go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and will take you to myself, that where I am, you also may be. And whither I go you know, and the way you know. Thomas saith to him: Lord we know not whither thou goest: and how can we know the way: Jesus saith to him: I am the way, and the truth and the life. No man cometh to the Father, but by me. If you had known me, you would without doubt have known my Father also: and from henceforth you shall know him, and you have seen him. Philip saith to him: Lord shew us the Father, and it is enough for us. Jesus saith to him: So long a time have I been with you: and have you not known me? Philip, he that seeth me seeth the Father also. How sayest thou, Shew us the Father? Do you not believe, that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? The words that I speak to you, I speak not of myself. But the Father who abideth in me, he doth the works. Believe you not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? Otherwise believe for the very works' sake. Amen, amen I say to you, he that believeth in me, the works that I do, he also shall do, and greater than these shall he do. Because I go to the Father, and whatsoever you shall ask the Father in my name, that will I do. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. xviii.—The heavens, O Lord, shall declare thy wonders, and the fulfilling of thy promises in the assembly of the saints. Alleluia,

Allelvia.

SECRET.—Favourably receive, O Lord, the offerings we bring on the feast of thy holy apostles, Philip and James; and turn away all the misfortunes

we deserve. Thro'.

COMM. John xiv.—So long a time have I been with you and have you not known me? Philip, he that seeth me, seeth my Father also. Alleluia. Believe you not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? Alleluia, Alleluia.

P. COMM. Quæsumus, as in p. 477.

II. St. ATHANASIUS, bp. c. D.

INTROIT. In medio, p. 485, the rest as in Mass XI. p. 484, except

EPISTLE. 2 Cor. iv. 5. 15.—Rrethren: We preach not ourselves, but Jesus Christ our Lord: and ourselves your servants through Jesus. For God who commanded the light to shine out of dark aess, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of

the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ Jesus. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency may be of the power of God, and not of us. In all things we suffer tribu-. lation, but are not distressed: we are straitened. but are not destitute: we suffer persecution, but are not forsaken: we are cast down, but we perish not: always bearing about in our body the mortification of Jesus, that the life also of Jesus may be made manifest in our bodies. For we who live are always delivered unto death for Jesus sake: that the life also of Jesus may be made manifest in our mortal flesh. So then death worketh in us, but life in you. But having the same spirit of faith, as it is written: I believed, for which cause I have spoken: we also believe, for which cause we speak also: knowing that he who raised up Jesus, will raise us up also with Jesus, and place us with you.

Alleluia, Alleluia. Thou art a priest for ever according to the order of Melchisedech. Alleluia.

V. Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he hath been proved, he shall receive the

crown of life. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. x. 23. 33.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: When they shall persecute you in this city flee into another. Amen I say to you, you shall not finish all the cities of Israel: till the Son of Man come. The disciple is not above the master, nor the servant above his lord. It is enough for the disciple that he be as his master, and the servant as his lord. If they have called the good man of the house Beelzebub, how much more them of his household? Therefore fear them not. For nothing is covered that shall not be revealed, nor hid that shall not be known. That which I tell you in the dark, speak ye in the light: and that which you hear in the ear, preach ye upon the house tops. And fear ye not them that kill the body, and

are not also to kill the soul: but rather fear him that can destroy both soul and body into hell. CREDO.

OFFERT.—I have found David my servant: with my holy oil have I anointed him: for my hand shall help him, and my arm shall strengthen him. Allel.

III. The FINDING of the HOLY CROSS.

INTROIT. Nos autem, Gal. vi. as in p. 271. COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who, in the miraculous discovery of the Holy Cross, wast pleased to renew the wonders of thy passion: grant, that hy the ransom paid on that saving wood, we may

to renew the wonders of thy passion: grant, that by the ransom paid on that saving wood, we may find help for the obtaining life eternal. Who livest. Commem. of SS. Alexander, Eventius, and Theodulus, Martyrs, and Juvenalis, Confessor.

COLLECT. Presta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we who celebrate the festival of thy saints, Alexander, Eventius, Theodulus, and Juvenalis, may by their intercession, be delivered from all impending misfortunes. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Phū. ii. 5. 11.—Brethren: Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus; who being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being made in the likeness of men, and in habit found as a man. He humbled himself, becoming obedient unto death, even to the death of the cross. For which cause God also hath exalted him, and hath given him a name which is above all names: that in the name of Jesus * every knee should bow, of these that are in heaven, on earth, and under the earth. And that every tongue should confess that the Lord Jesus Christ is in the glory of God the Father. Allel.

V. Publish among the nations, that the Lord hath

^{*} Here all kneel '

triumphed on the cross. Alleluia. Sweet wood, sweet nails, that bore so sweet a weight! Thou alone wast worthy to bear the king of heaven and the Lord. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. John iii. 1. 15. - At that time: There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. This man came to Jesus by night, and said to him: Rabbi, we know that thou art come a teacher from God: for no man can do these signs which thou dost, unless God be with him. Jesus answered, and said to him: Amen, amen 1 say to thee, unless a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. Nicodemus saith to him: How can a man be born again when he is old? can he enter a second time into his mother's womb, and be born again? Jesus answered: Amen, amen I say to thee, unless a man be born again of water and the Holy Ghost, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh, is flesh: and that which is born of the spirit, is spirit, Wonder not that I said to thee, you must be born again. The Spirit breatheth where he will: and thou hearest his voice, but thou knowest not whence he cometh, nor whither he goeth; so is every one that is born of the Spirit. Nicodemus answered, and said to him: How can these things be done? Jesus answered, and said to him: Art thou a master in Israel, and knowest not these things? Amen, amen I say to thee, that we speak what we know, and we testify what we have seen, and you receive not our testimony. If I have spoken to you earthly things, and you believe not: how will you believe if I shall speak to you heavenly things? And no man hath ascended into heaven, but he that descended from heaven, the Son of Man who is in heaven. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up: that whosoever believeth in him may not perish, but may have life ever-

lasting. CREDO.

OFFERT Ps. cxvii.—The right hand of the Lord hath wrought strength, the right-hand of the Lord hath exalted me: I shall not die, but live; and shall

declare the works of the Lord. Alleluia.

SECRET —Favourably, O Lord, look down on the sacrifice we offer thee, that it may deliver us from all the miseries of war, and surely fix us under thy protection, that by the standard of thy Son's holy cross, we may overcome all the assaults of the enemy. Thro'.

SECRET. Of SS. ALEXANDER, &c.—Let thy heavenly blessing, we beseech thee, O Lord, plentifully descend upon these oblations, which, through thy bounty, sanctify us and fill us with joy in the

solemnity of thy saints. Thro'.

PREFACE. Qui salutem humani generis, p. xxx. COMM.—By the sign of the cross deliver us,

Lord God, from all our enemies. Alleluia.

P. COMM. Repleti.—Being filled with the heavenly meat, and strengthened with the spiritual cup, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, to defend from the evil spirit those, whom, by thy Son's cross, (the arms of justice, for the redemption of the world) thou hast commanded to triumph. Thro'.

P. COMM. Of SS. ALEXANDER, &c.—Being refreshed by the participation of these sacred mysteries, we beseech thee, O Lord, that we may find the effects of what we celebrate, by the intercession of

thy blessed Martyrs, Alexander, &c. Thro'.

IV. St. MONICA.

All as in Mass XXI. p. 502, except

COLLECT. Deus mærentium.—O God, the comforter of the afflicted, and help of such as put their trust in thee, who with an eye of mercy didst regard the pious tears of holy Monica, for the conversion 3 C 2

of her son Augustin: grant, that by the prayers of both these thy servants, we may heartily bewail our

sins, and find favour by thy grace. Thro'. EPISTLE. 1 Tim. v. 3. 10.—Dearly beloved son: Honour widows, that are widows indeed. But if any widow have children or grand-children, let her learn first to govern her own house, and to make a return of duty to her parents: for this is acceptable before God. But she that is a widow indeed and desolate, let her trust in God, and continue in supplications and prayers night and day. For she that liveth in pleasure, is dead while she is living. this give in charge, that they may be blameless. if any man have not care of his own, and especially of those of his house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel. Let a widow be chosen of no less than threescore years of age, who hath been the wife of one husband, having testimony for her good works, if she have brought up children, if she have received to harbour, if she have washed the saints' feet, if she have ministered to them that suffer tribulation, if she hath diligently followed every good work.

GOSPEL. Luke vii. as in p. 202.

St. CATHARINE of SIENNA, v.

All as in Mass XIX. p. 498, except

COLLECT. Da, quesumus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we who celebrate the festival of blessed Catharine, thy Virgin, may rejoice in her yearly solemnity, and profit by the example in her eminent virtues. Thro'.

SECRET .- May the prayers we offer on the festival of blessed Catharine ascend to thee, O Lord, to gether with the victim of our salvation, freaght with

heavenly sweetness. Thro'.

P. COMM. Eternitatem.—Grant, () Lord, that

we may have eternal life communicated to us by the nourishment we have received at thy holy table, which supported the temporal life of blessed Catharine thy virgin. Thro'.

VI. St. JOHN at the Latin Gate.

INTROIT. Protexisti me, as in p. 470.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who seest us assaulted with evils on every side, grant, we beseech thee, that the powerful intercession of blessed John. thy apostle and evangelist, may always be a protection to us. Thro'.

After the Lesson, Wisd. v. p. 478, is said . Alleluia, Alleluia. V. The just shall flourish like the palm-tree: he shall grow up like the cedar of Libanus. Alleluia. V. The righteous shall bud forth like the lily, and flourish for ever in the light of the Lord. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. xx. as in p. 453.

SECRET, Receive, Comm. and P. Comm. Refecti as in pp. 472, 473.

VII. St. STANISLAUS. bp. m.

All as in Mass V. p. 470, except

COLLECT. Deus, pro. O God, for whose honour the glorious bishop Stanislaus fell by the swords of wicked men: grant, we beseech thee, that all who implore his aid, may obtain the happy effect of their prayers. Thro'.

IX. St. GREGORY NAZIANZEN, bp. c. D. All as in Mass XII. p. 485, except

LESSON. Eccles. xxxix. 6. 14.—The just man will give his heart to resort early to the Lord that made him, and he will pray in the sight of the Most High. He will open his mouth in prayer, and will

make supplication for his sins. For if it shall please the great Lord, he will fill him with the spirit of understanding; and he will pour forth the words of his wisdom as showers, and in his prayer he will confess to the Lord. And he shall direct his counsel, and his knowledge, and in his secrets shall he meditate. He shall shew forth the discipline he hath learned, and shall glory in the law of the covenant of the Lord. Many shall praise his wisdom, and it shall never be forgotten. The memory of him shall not depart away, and his name shall be in request rrom generation to generation. Nations shall declare his wisdom, and his name shall shew forth his praise.

X. St. ANTONINUS, bp. c.

All as in Mass X. * p. 482, except

COLLECT. Sancti Antonini.—Grant, O Lord, we may be assisted by the merits of holy Antoninus thy confessor and bishop: that, as we glorify thee for thy wonders wrought in him, so we may with joy experience thy mercy towards us. Thro'.

Of SS. GORDIANUS and EPIMACHUS.

COLLECT. Da, quæsumus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almight's God, that we who celebrate the festival of thy holy martyrs, Gordianus and Epimachus, may, by their prayers, find the effects of thy divine assistance. Thro'.

SECRET.—Mercifully receive, O Lord, the offerings consecrated to thee, by the merits of blessed Gordianus and Epimachus, thy martyrs, and grant they may be to us a continual support. Thro'.

P. COMM. Quasumus.—We beseech thee, O Almighty God, that by the intercession of blessed Gordianus and Epimachus, thy martyrs, the heavenly food we have received may defend us from all adversity. Thro:

XI. St. PIUS, Pope Conf.

All as in Mass X. * p. 482, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who wast pleased to raise blessed Pius to the dignity of chief bishop, in order to depress the enemies of thy church, and restore the divine worship: make us by thy grace, so diligently in all that concerneth thy service, that we may defeat the treacherous designs of our enemies, and rejoice in everlasting peace. Thro'.

XII. SS. NEREUS, &c. mm.

INTROIT. Ps. xxxii.—Behold the eyes of the Lord are on them that fear him: and on them that hope in his mercy, Allelvia: to deliver their souls from death; for he is our helper and protector. Allelvia, Allelvia. Ps. Rejoice in the Lord ye just: praise becometh the upright.

COLLECT. Semper.—May the blessed solemnity of thy martyrs, Nereus, Achilleus, Domitilla, and Pancratius, we beseech thee, O Lord, afford us comfort and make us worthy to serve thee. Thro'.

LESSON. Wisd. v. as in p. 471.

Alleluia, Alleluia. V. These were truly brothers, who, triumphing over the iniquity of the world, followed Christ, and are now in possession of the glorious kingdom of heaven. Alleluia. V. The whiterobed army of martyrs praise thee, O Lord. Allel.

GOSPEL. John iv. as in p. 449.

SECRET.—We beseech thee, O Lord, that the confession of thy blessed martyrs, Nereus, Achilleus, Domitilla, and Pancratius, being acceptable to thee, they may recommend our offerings, and ever implore thy mercy on our behalf. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xxxii.—Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous ones. Alleluia. It becometh the upright to join in his praises. Alleluia.

P. COMM. Quasumus, Domine.—We beseech thee, O Lord, by the prayers of thy blessed martyrs, Nereus, Achilleus, Domitilla, and Pancratius, that the holy mysteries we have received may render thee more and more favourable to us. Thro'.

XIV. St. BONIFACE, m.

All as in Mass V. p. 470, except

COLLECT. Da, quæsumus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we who celebrate the festival of blessed Boniface, thy martyr, may, by his prayers, find the effects of thy divine assistance. Thro.

XVI. St. UBALDUS, bp. c.

All as in Mass X. * p. 482, except

COLLECT. Auxilium.—Help us, O Lord, we beseech thee, in thy mercy: and grant, by the intercession of blessed Ubaldus, thy bishop and confessor, that we may be defended by thy right hand against all the snares of the devil. Thro.

XVII. St. PASCHAL BAYLON.

All as in Mass XIII. p. 488, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who didst adorn blessed Paschal, thy confessor, with an admirable love of the sacred mysteries of thy body and blood: grant, we beseech thee, that we may be made worthy partakers of the same spiritual nourishment which he so abundantly received from this divine banquet. Thro'.

XVIII. St. VENANTIUS, m.

All as in Mass III. p. 466, except COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who hast con-

secrated this day by the triumph of blessed Venantius, thy martyr, mercifully hear the prayers of thy people: and grant that we, who honour his virtues, may imitate the constancy of his faith. Thro'.

GOSPEL. John xv. 1. 7. as in p. 471.

SECRET.—Grant, O Almighty God, that the merits of blessed Venantius may render this oblation acceptable to thee: that we, being assisted by his prayers, may become partakers of his glory. Thro'.

P. COMM. Sumpsimus.—Having received, O Lord, the sacrament of eternal life, we humbly beseech thee, that by the intercession of blessed Venantius, thy martyr, it may procure for us pardon and grace. Thro.

XIX. St. DUNSTAN, c. abp. of Canterbury. All as in Mass XI. p. 484, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who hast translated the blessed Dunstan, thy high priest, to thy heavenly kingdom: grant that we, by his glorious merits, may pass from hence to never ending joys. Thro.

SECRET.—Receive, we beseech thee, O Lord, the offerings thy suppliant servants lay before thee on this solemnity of blessed Dunstan, thy confessor and bishop, requesting that, under his venerable patronage, they may be defended from the snares of all their enemies. Thro'.

P. COMM. Beati.—Assist us, O Lord, by the prayers of blessed Dunstan, thy confessor and bishop, in whose veneration we have partaken of thy sacra-

ments. Thro'.

XX. St. BERNARDINE, c.

All as in Mass XIII. p. 488, except

COLLECT. Domine Jesu.—O Lord, Jesus, who didst pour forth into the heart of blessed Bernardner,

thy confessor, a more than ordinary love of thy most holy name: mercifully grant us, by his virtues and prayers, the spirit of thy love. Who livest.

GOSPEL. Mat. xix. as in v. 492.

XXI. St. PETER CELESTINE, p. c.

All as in Mass X*. p. 482, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui beatum. — O God, who didst raise blessed Celestine to the dignity of chief bishop, which thou taughtest him to quit for a more humble and private state: mercifully grant, that, by his example, we may despise the things of this world. and happily obtain the blessings promised to the humble. Thro'.

GOSPEL. Matt. xix. as in p. 492.

XXV. St. ALDHELM, bp. of Salisbury, c.

All as in Mass X. * p. 482, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui hodierna.-O God, who this day didst raise blessed Aldhelm, thy holy bishop, to eternal joys: grant, by his merits and prayers, that thy mercy may lead us also thither. Thro'.

Of St. URBAN. Da quæsumus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we who celebrate the feast of blessed Urban, thy martyr and bishop may be aided by his prayers to thee in our behalf. Thro'.

SFCRET.-May our offering, O Lord, be acceptable to thee by the prayers of this saint, on whose festival we make it. Thro'.

Of St. URBAN.-May this oblation, O Lord, we beseech thee, cleanse us from all sin, and sanctify both the bodies and souls of thy servants for the offering up to thee this sacrifice. Thro'.

P. COMM. Solemnitatem.—Mercifully help us, O Lord, while we celebrate the feast of blessed Aldhelm, thy bishop, and grant, by his merits, we may be admitted to the joys of heaven. Thro'.

Of St. Urban, Refecti, p. 463.

XXVI. St. AUGUSTIN, ap. of England.

All as in Mass X1. p. 484, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who didst appoint the blessed bishop Augustin first preacher of the gospel to the English nation, grant, we beseech thee, that we may be assisted by his prayers in heaven, whose merits we honour on earth. Thro'. Collect, Infirmitatem, of St. Eleutherius. with

its Secret and P. Comm. from Mass V. p. 470.

GOSPEL. Luke x. as on St. Mark, p. 572.

SECRET.—We beseech thee, O Lord, that the efferings we have made may be acceptable to thee. by which we venerate the merits of blessed Augustin thy confessor and bishop, and call to our remembrance the wonderful means by which we obtained our liberty and life. Thro'.

P. COMM. Sancta.—May thy holy mysteries, O Lord, which we have celebrated on the solemn feast of blessed Augustin, thy confessor and bishop, protect us: and may we ever be filled with and hunger after the same. Thro?

XXVII. St. PHILIP NERIUS, c.

All as in Mass XIII. p. 481, except

COLLECT. Deus.—O God, who hast raised blessed Philip, thy confessor, to the glory of the saints: mercifully grant, that we who celebrate his festival with joy, may improve by his example. Thro'.

Collect, &c. of St. Augustin as above, and those of St. John, p. m. from Mass V. p. 470

June II. OCTAVE of St. AUGUSTIN.

All as on the 25th May, p. 586, with a Commem. of SS. Marcellinus, &c. mm. as follows:

COLLECT, Deus qui nos, as in p. 478.

SECRET.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that the sacrifice we offer on this festival of thy holy martyrs, may loose the bonds of our sins, and pro-

cure for us the grant of thy mercy. Thro'.

P. COMM. Sacro munere.—Being fed with these sacred gifts, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord, that by this sacrifice, which, according to our bounden duty, we offer, we may be sensible of an increase of our redemption. Thro'.

III. St. MARY MAGDALEN of PAZZI, v.

All as in Mass XIX. p. 498, except

COLLECT. Deus, virginitatis.— O God, the lover of purity, who didst inflame the breast of blessed Mary Magdalen with the fire of thy love, and enrich it with heavenly graces: grant we may imitate her purity and charity, whose festival we celebrate. Thro'.

VI. St. NORBERT, bp. c.

All as in Mass X. * p. 482, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who didst raise up blessed Norbert, thy confessor and bishop, to be an eminent preacher of thy word, and by him wast pleased to institute a new order in thy church grant, we beseech thee, that by his merits we may obtain the help of thy grace to live according to what he taught and practised. Thro'.

· VIII. St. WILLIAM, Archbishop of York, c. All as in Mass XI. p. 484, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who rejoicest us by the merits and intercession of blessed William, thy confessor and bishop, mercifully grant that whatever we ask of thee in his name may be granted us by the favour of thy grace. Thro.

SECRET.—Sanctify, O Lord, the offerings we have made, and through the intercession of blessed William, thy confessor and bishop, cleanse us from

the stains of our sins. Thro'.

P. COMM.—We humbly beseech thee, O Almighty God, that those whom thou refreshest with thy sacraments may, by the intercession of blessed William, thy confessor and bishop, by a holy life, worthily serve thee. Thro'.

IX. SS. PRIMUS and FELICIANUS, mm. All as in Mass VIII. p. 477, except

COLLECT. Fac.—Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, that we may always follow the example of thy holy martyrs Primus and Felicianus, and by their prayers, daily experience their protection. Thro'.

GRAD. Ps. lxxxviii.—The heavens shall confess thy wonders, O Lord, and thy truth in the church of the saints. V. The mercies of the Lord I will sing for ever, from generation to generation. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. These were truly brothers who triumphed over the iniquity of the world, followed Christ, and are now in possession of the glorious kingdom of heaven. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. xi. as on the 15th January, p. 537.

OFFERT. Ps. lxv. as in p. 477.

SECRET.—May the offerings, O Lord, we beseech thee, which we make on this day of the martyrdom of thy saints, appease thee, cleanse us from our 3 D sins, and render the prayers and vows of thy servanta acceptable. Thro'.

COMM. John xv.—I have chosen you out of the world, that you should go, and should bring forth

fruit: and your fruit should remain.

P. COMM. Quæsumus.—Grant, O Almighty God, that thy holy martyrs Primus and Felicianus, whose feast we have solemnized with the celebration of these heavenly mysteries, may, through thy mercy, obtain for us the pardon of our sins. Thro'.

X. St. MARGARET, Queen of Scots. All as in Mass XXI. p. 502. except

COLLECT. Deus, qui beatum.—O God, who didst render blessed Margaret Queen of the Scots, truly wonderful for her charities towards the poor: grant by her prayers and example, that thy charity may continually increase in our hearts. Thro.

XI. St. BARNABAS, ap.

INTROIT, Mihi autem, as in p. 524.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who comfortest us by the merits and prayers of blessed Barnabas: grant, in thy mercy, that we, who by him petition for thy blessings, may obtain them by the gift of thy grace. Thro?

LESSON. Acts xi. 21. 26. xiii. 1. 3.—In those days: A great number believing were converted to the Lord. And the tidings came to the ears of the Church that was at Jerusalem, touching these things: and they sent Barnabas as far as Antioch. Who when he was come, and had seen the grace of God, rejoiced; and he exhorted them all with purpose of heart to continue in the Lord. For he was a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith. And a great multitude was added to the Lord. And Bainabas went to Tarsus, to seek Saul: whom when

he had found, he brought to Antioch, and they conversed there in the Church a whole year: and they taught a great multitude, so that at Antioch the disciples were first named Christians. (Chap. xiii.) Now there were in the Church which was at Antioch, prophets and doctors, among whom was Barnabas, and Simon, who was called Niger, and Lucius of Cyrene, and Manahen who was the foster-brother of Herod the Tetrarch, and Saul. And as they were ministering to the Lord, and fasting, the Holy Ghost said to them: Separate me Saul and Barnabas, for the work whereunto I have taken them. Then they fasting and praying, and imposing their hands upon them, sent them away.

GRAD. Ps. xviii.—Their sound hath gone forth into all the earth: and their words unto the ends of the world. V. The heavens shew forth the glory of God: and the firmament declareth the work of his hands. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. I have chosen you out of the world, that you should go and should bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain. Allel.

GOSPEL, Matt. x. 16, 22,—At that Jesus said to his disciples: Behold I send you as sheep in the midst of wolves. Be ye therefore wise as serpents, and simple as doves. But beware of For they will deliver you up in councils, and they will scourge you in their synagogues. And you shall be brought before governors, and before kings for my sake, for a testimony to them and to the Gentiles: but when they shall deliver you up, take no thought how or what you speak: for it shall be given you in that hour what to speak. For it is not you that speak, but the Spirit of your Father that speaketh in you. The brother also shall deliver up the brother to death, and the father the son: and the children shall rise up against the parents, and shall put them to death. And you shall be hated oy all men for my name's sake: but he that shall persevere to the end, he shall be saved. CREDO.

OFFERT.—Thou shalt make them princes over all the earth: they shall remember thy name, O Lord,

from generation to generation.

SECRET.—Sanctify, O Lord, the offerings we have made, and by the intercession of blessed Barnabas, the apostle, cleanse us from the stains of our sins. Thro'.

COMM.—You, who have followed me, shall sit

on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

P. COMM. Supplices.—We humbly beseech thee. O Almighty God, that those whom thou retreshest with thy sacraments, may, by the intercession of blessed Barnabas, thy apostle, worthily please thee in their conduct of life. Thro'.

XII. St. JOHN A FACUNDO, c.

All as in Mass XIII. p. 488, except

COLLECT. Deus auctor.—O God, the author of peace and lover of charity, who gavest to blessed John, thy confessor, the extraordinary grace of reconciling those who were at variance: grant, by his merits and intercession, that being well-grounded in thy charity, we may be by no temptations separated from thee. Thro.

COLLECT, (Sanctorum) of SS. Basilides, &c. mm.—Grant, O Lord, that the festival of thy holy martyrs, Basilides, Cyrinus, Nabor, and Nazarius, may be a comfort to us, and that our devotion may bring forth the fruit that has made them blessed for

ever. Thro'.

SECRET. (Of the same.)—In veneration of the blood of thy holy martyrs, Basilides, Cyrinus, Nabor, and Nazarius, we solemnly bring these offerings, O Lord, to celebrate thy wonders by whom so great a victory was obtained. Thro'.

P. COMM. (Semper.) Of the same.—Grant, O Lord, that we who always celebrate the festival of thy holy martyrs, Basilides, Cyrinus, Nabor, and Nazarius, may ever be sensible of the effects of their intercession. Thro'.

XIII. St. ANTHONY of PADUA, c.

All as in Mass XIII. p. 488, except

COLLECT. Ecclesiam.—May this solemnity, O God, of blessed Anthony, thy confessor, be a comfort to thy church: that thy people may never want the assistance of thy grace, and at length come to the possession of eternal joys. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 1 Cor. iv. as in p. 490.

GRAD.—The just man shall flourish like the palmtree, he shall thrive like the cedar of Libanus in the house of the Lord. V. To publish thy mercies in the morning, and thy truth by night. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. The Lord loved him, and adorned him: he clothed him with a robe of glory. Alleluia.

SECRET.—May this oblation, O Lord, avail to the salvation of thy people, for whom thou wast pleased to offer thyself a living host to thy Father. Who.

P. COMM. Divinis.—Being filled, O Lord, with these heavenly gifts, we beseech thee, that by the merits and intercession of blessed Anthony, thy Confessor, we may be sensible of the effects of thy saving sacrifice. Thro'.

XIV. St. BASIL, c D.

Introit and Epistle, as in Mass XII. p. 485. Collect, Exaudi, with its Secret and P. Comm. the Offertory also and P. Comm. as in Mass XI. p. 484.

GRAD.—The mouth of the righteous man shall utter wisdom, and his tongue shall speak judgment. V. The law of God is in his heart, and his feet shall not be tript up. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. I have found

my servant David, and have anointed him with my

holy oils.

GOSPEL. Luke xiv. 26. 35.—At that time: Jesus said to the multitude: If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple. And whosoever doth not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, having a mind to build a tower, doth not first sit down and reckon the charges that are necessary, whether he have wherewithal to finish it. Lest after he hath laid the foundation, and is not able to finish it, all that see it begin to mock him, saying: This man began to build, and was not able to finish. Or what king about to go and make war against another king, doth not first sit down and think whether he be able with ten thousand men to meet him that with twenty thousand cometh against him. Or else whilst the other is yet afar off, sending an embassy, he desireth conditions of peace. So likewise every one of you that doth not renounce all that he possesseth, cannot be my disciple. Salt is good: but if the salt should lose its savour, wherewith shall it be seasoned? It is neither profitable for the land, nor for the dunghill. but shall be cast out. He that hath ears to hear, let him hear. CREDO.

XVI. SS. VITUS, MODESTUS, &c. mm.

INTROIT. Ps. xxxiii. as on the 26th June, p. 603. COLLECT. Da ecclesia.—Grant, we be seech thee, O Lord, by the prayers of these thy holy martyrs that thy church may be free from all pride, and improve daily in humility: that declining all that is evil, she may freely practise that which is just and good. Thro'.

LESSON. Wisd. iii. as ın p. 475.

GRAD. Ps. cxlix.—The saints shall rejoice in glory: they shall be joyful in their beds. V. Sing

ye to the Lord a new canticle: let his praise be in the church of the saints. Alleluin, Alleluin. Thy saints, O Lord, shall bless thee: they shall publish

the glory of thy kingdom. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Luke x. 16. 20.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: He that heareth you, heareth me: and he that despiseth you, despiseth me: and he that despiseth me, despiseth him that sent me. And the seventy-two returned with joy, saying: Lord, the devils also are subject to us in thy name. And he said to them: I saw Satan like lightning falling from heaven. Behold, I have given you power to tread upon serpents, and scorpions, and upon all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall hurt you. But yet rejoice not in this, that spirits are subject to you: but rejoice in this, that your names are written in heaven.

OFFERT. Ps. lxv.—God is wonderful, p. 477. SECRET.—As the offerings we have made, O Lord, in honour of thy saints, testify the glory of the divine power: so may they procure us the effects of thy salvation. Thro.

COMM.—The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and the torments of wickedness shall not touch them. In the sight of the unwise they

seemed to die: but they are now in peace.

P. COMM. Repleti.—Being filled, O Lord, with what hath been solemnly blessed, we beseech thee, that by the intercession of thy blessed martyrs, Virtus Modestus, and Crescentia, this healing sacrament may be profitable to both our souls and bodies. Thro'.

XVIII. SS. MARK and MARCELLIAN, mm.

INTROIT, Salus autem, p. 479.

COLLECT. Præsta quæsumus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we who celebrate the festival of thy holy martyrs, Mark and Marcellian. may, by their prayers, be delivered from all impend-

ing evils. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Rom. v. 1.5.—Brethren: Being justified by faith, let us have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. By whom also we have access through faith into his grace, wherein we stand, and glory in the hope of the glory of the sons of God. And not only so; but we glory also in tribulations, knowing that tribulation worketh patience. And patience trial: and trial hope. And hope confoundeth not: because the charity of God is poured forth in our hearts, by the Holy Ghost who is given to us.

GRAD.—The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and the torments of wickedness shall not touch them. V. In the sight of the unwise they seemed to die; but they are now in peace. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. These were true brothers, who could not be overcome in combat: who shedding their

blood, followed the Lord. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Luke xi. 47. 51.—At that time: Jesus said to the Scribes and Pharisees: Wo to you, who build the monuments of the prophets: and your fathers killed them. Truly you bear witness that you consent to the doings of your fathers: for they indeed killed them, and you build their sepulchrea. For this cause also the wisdom of God said: I will send to them prophets and apostles, and some of them they will kill and persecute: that the blood of all the prophets, which was shed from the foundation of the world, may be required of this generation, from the blood of Abel unto the blood of Zacharias, who was slain between the altar and the temple. Yea I say to you, it shall be required of this generation.

OFFERT. Ps. exxiii.—Our soul hath been delivered as a sparrow out of the snare of the fowlers the snare is broken and we are delivered.

SECRET.—Sanctify, O Lord, the offerings consecrated to thee, and, being appeased thereby, mercifully look down upon us, by the intercession of blessed Mark and Marcellian, thy martyrs. Thro'.

COMM. Matt. xxv.—Amen, I say to you: as long as you did it to one of these my least brethren, you did it to me: come, ye blessed of my Father, possess you the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

P. COMM. Salutaris.—Being filled, O Lord, with this thy saving sacrifice, we humbly beseech thee, that, by the intercession of thy holy martyrs, Mark and Marcellian, we may be renewed by the effects thereof. Thro.

XIX. St. JULIANA de FALCONERIS, v.

All as in Mass XIX. p. 498, except

COLLECT. Deus qui.—O God, who vouchsafedst to refresh blessed Juliana, thy virgin, in a miraculous manner, with the precious body of thy Son in her last sickness; grant, we beseech thee, by her merits and intercession, that we also, in our last conflict, may be so refreshed and strengthened with the same, as to be brought to our heavenly country.

Commem. of SS. Gervasius and Protasius, by the Collect, Deus qui, with its Secret and P. Comm. as in Mass IX. p. 479.

XX. St. SYLVERIUS. p. m.

All as in Mass I. p. 461, except

EPISTLE. Jude i. 17. 21.—Dearly beloved: Be mindful of the words which have been spoken before by the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ. Who told you, that in the last time there should come mockers, wilking according to their own desires in ungodliness These are they, who separate them

selves; sensual men, having not the spirit. But you my beloved, building yourselves upon your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost, keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto life everlasting.

XXII St. ALBAN, Protomartyr of England. All as in Mass III. p. 466, except

COLLECT. Deus qui,—O God, who hast consecrated this day by the martyrdom of blessed Alban: grant, that as we annually rejoice in the celebration of his festival, we may be continually favoured with his assistance. Thro.

GOSPEL. Matt. xxvi. as in Mass II. p. 465.

SECRET. As we praise thee, O Lord, in venerating thy blessed martyr, Alban; so, we beseech thee, through this pious offering of atonement, that he would always be our intercessor. Thro'.

P. COMM. Ut tua.—That thy sacraments, O Lord, may cleanse us from sin, and preserve in us the fervour of charity, grant, we beseech thy Divine Majesty, that we may be always assisted by the intercession of blessed Alban, thy martyr. Thro'.

XXIII. VIGIL of St. JOHN BAPTIST. O

INTROIT. Luke i.—Fear not, Zacharias, thy prayer is heard, and thy wife, Elizabeth, shall bear thee a son, and thou shalt call his name John: He shall be great before the Lord, and be filled with the Holy Ghost, even from his mother's womb: and many shall rejoice in his nativity. Psalm xx. In thy might, O Lord, shall the king rejoice: and he shall exult exceedingly at being saved by thee. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Præsta, quæsumus.—Grant, we bebeech thee, O Almighty God, that thy people may walk in the way of salvation; and, by following the exhortation of blessed John, the forerunner, may come safely to him, whom he foretold, our Lord Jesus Christ thy Son. Who liveth.

LESSON. Jer. i. 4. 10.—In those days: The word of the Lord came to me, saying: Before I formed thee in the bowels of my mother, I knew thee: and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and made thee a prophet unto the nations. And I said: Ah, ah, ah, Lord God: behold I cannot speak, for I am a child. And the Lord said to me: Say not: I am a child: for thou shalt go to all that I shall send thee: and whatever I shall command thee, thou shalt speak. Be not afraid at their presence: for I am with thee to deliver thee, saith the Lord. And the Lord put forth his hand, and touched my mouth: and the Lord said to me: Behold I have given my words in thy mouth: lo I have set thee this day over the nations, and over kingdoms, to root up, and to pull down, and to waste, and to destroy, and to build, and to plant, south the Lord Almightu.

GRAD. John i.—There was a man sent from God whose name was John. V. He came to bear testimony of the light, and to prepare for the Lord a per-

fect people.

GOSPEL. Luke i. 5. 17.—There was in the days of Herod, the king of Judea, a certain priest named Zacharias, of the course of Abia, and his wife was of the daughters of Aaron, and her name Elizabeth. And they were both just before God, walking in all the commandments and justifications of the Lord without blame. And they had no son, for that Elizabeth was barren, and they both were well advanced in years. And it came to pass, when he executed the priestly function in the order of his course before God, according to the custom of the priestly office, it was his lot to offer incense, going into the temple of the Lord: and all the multitude

of the people was praying without at the hour of incense. And there appeared to him an angel of the Lord, standing on the right side of the altar of incense. And Zacharias seeing him was troubled, and fear fell upon him: but the angel said to him: Fear not, Zacharias, for thy prayer is heard, and thy wife Elizabeth shall bear thee a son, and thou shalt ca'l his name John; and thou shalt have joy and gladness, and many shall rejoice at his nativity. For he shall be great before the Lord: and shall drink no wine nor strong drink, and he shall be filled with the Holy Ghost even from his mother's womb, he shall convert many of the children of Israel to the Lord their God. And he shall go before him in the spirit and power of Elias: that he may turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the incredulous to the wisdom of the just to prepare to the Lord a perfect people.

OFFERT. Ps. viii.—Thou hast crowned him with glory and honour, and set him over the works

of thy hands.

SECRET.—Sanctify, O Lord, the offerings we have made to thee, and by the intercession of blessed John the Baptist, and the efficacy of these mysteries, cleanse us from the stains of our sins. Thro'.

COMM.—Great is his glory in being saved by thee, O Lord: thou wilt crown him with glory, and

great honour. Thro'.

P. COMM. Beati Joannis.—May the prevailing prayers of blessed John the Baptist, O Lord, accompany ours: and may he implore the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ on our behalf, whose coming he foretold, and who with thee liyeth, &c.

XXIV. NATIVITY of St. JOHN BAPTIST.

INTROIT. Is. xlix.—The Lord called me by my name from my mother's womb, and made my mouth like a sharp sword: in the shadow of his hand he

hath protected me, and made me as a chosen arrow. Ps. It is good to praise the Loid, and sing to thy

name, O thou the Most High. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Deus qui præsentem.—O God, who hast honoured this day by the birth of blessed John the Baptist: grant that thy people may rejoice in spirit, and guide them in the way of eternal salvation. Thro.

LESSON. Is. xlix. 1. 7.—Give ear, ye islands, and hearken ye people from afar. The Lord hath called me from the womb, from the bowels of my mother he hath been mindful of my name. And he hath made my mouth like a sharp sword: in the shadow of his hand he hath protected me, and hath made me as a chosen arrow: in his quiver he hath hidden me. And he said to me: Thou art my servant in Israel, for in thee will I glory. And now saith the Lord that formed me from the womb to be his servant: Behold, I have given thee to be the light of the Gentiles, that thou mayest be my salvation even to the farthest part of the earth. Kings shall see, and princes shall rise up and adore for the Lord's sake, and for the Holy One of Israel who hath chosen thee.

GRAD. Jer. i.—Before I formed thee in the womb, I knew thee: and before thou camest forth from the womb I sanctified thee. V. The Lord put forth his hand and touched my mouth: and said to me: Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Thou child, shalt be culled the Prophet of the Most High: thou shalt go before the Lord to prepare his ways. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Luke i. 57. 68.—Elizabeth's full time of being delivered was come, and she brought forth a son. And her neighbours and kinsfolk heard that the Lord hath shewed his great mercy towards her, and they congratulated with her. And it came to pass that on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child, and they called him by his father's name 3 E

Zacharias. And his mother answering said: Not so. but he shall be called John. And they said to her: There is none of thy kindred that is called by that name. And they made signs to his father, how he would have him called. And demanding a writingtable, he wrote, saying: John is his name. they all wondered. And immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue loosed, and he spoke bles sing God. And fear came upon all their neighbours, and all these things were noised abroad over all the hill-country of Judea: and all they that had heard them, laid them up in their hearts, saying: What a one, think ye, shall this child be? For the hand of the Lord was with him. And Zacharias his father was filled with the Holy Ghost: and he prophesied, saving: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel; because he hath visited and wrought the redemption of his people.

OFFERT. Ps. xci.—The just man shall flourish like the palm-tree: he shall grow up like the cedar

of Libanus.

SECRET.—We heap offerings, O Lord, on thy altars, celebrating with due honour his nativity, who both foretold the coming of the Saviour of the world, and shewed him when come, Jesus Christ our Lord thy Son. Who liveth.

COMM. Luke i.—Thou, child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Most High: for thou shalt go before

the face of the Lord to prepare his ways.

P. COMM. Sumat.—Let thy Church, O God, rejoice on the nativity of blessed John the Baptist, by whom she came to the knowledge of the author of her regeneration, our Lord Jesus Christ thy Son. Who liveth.

XXV. St. WILLIAM, of York. ab. c.

All as in Mass XV. * p. 491, except COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who in thy

saints hast afforded both an example and help to our weakness, in order to enable us to walk in the road of salvation: grant us so to revere the merits of the blessed Abbot William, that we may feel the benefit of his suffrages, and tread in his steps. Thro'.

XXVI. SS. JOHN and PAUL, mm.

INTROIT. Ps. xxxiii.—Many are the afflictions of the just, but out of them all will the Lord deliver them. The Lord keepeth all their bones, not one of them shall be broken. Ps. I will bless the Lord at all times: his praise shall be always in my mouth. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Quasumus.—We beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we may receive this day redoubled joy from the glorious solemnity of the blessed martyrs, John and Paul, who in their faith and sufferings,

were truly brothers. Thro.

LESSÓN. Eccles. xliv. 10. 15.—These were men of mercy, whose godly deeds have not failed: good things continue with their seed, their posterity are a holy inheritance, and their seed hath stood in the covenants: and their children for their sakes remain for ever: their seed and their glory shall not be forsaken. Their bodies are buried in peace, and their name liveth unto generation and generation. Let the people shew forth their wisdom, and the Church declare their praise.

GRAD.—Ps. cxxxii.—Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity V. It is like the precious ointment on the head, that ran down upon the beard of Aaron. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. These were truly brothers, who triumphed over the iniquity of the world, followed Christ, and are now in possession of the glorious kingdom of heaven. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Luke xii. 1. 8.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: Beware ye of the leaven of the 3 E 2

Pharisees, which is hypocrisy. For there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed: nor hidden, that shall not be known. For whatsoever things you have spoken in darkness, shall be published in the light: and that which you have spoken in the ear in the chambers, shall be preached on the house-tops. And I say to you, my friends: Be not afraid of them that kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do. But I will shew you whom ye shall fear: fear ve him who after he hath killed, hath power to cast into hell. Yea I say to you, fear him. Are not five sparrows sold for two farthings, and not one of them is forgotten before God? Yea the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not therefore: you are of more value than many sparrows, And I say to you, whosoever shall confess me before men, him shall the Son of Man also confess before the angels of God.

OFFERT. Ps. v.—All they that love thy name shall glory in thee: for thou, O Lord, wilt bless the just: O Lord, thou hast crowned us as with the shield of thy good will.

SECRET.—Mercifully receive, O Lord, the offerings consecrated to thee by the merits of thy holy martyrs, John and Paul: and grant they may be to us a continual support. Thro'.

COMM. Wisd. iii.—Though in the sight of men they suffered torments, God hath tried them: as gold in the furnace he hath proved them, and as a victim of holocaust he hath received them.

P. COMM. Sumpsimus.—Having received, O Lord, thy divine sacraments on the festival of thy holy martyrs, John and Paul: grant, we beseech thee, that what we here celebrate in time, we may hereafter receive in a happy eternity. Thro'.

XXVII. St. LEO, p. c.

All as in Mass XI. p. 484, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.-O God, who didst render blessed Leo worthy of the rewards of thy saints: mercifully grant that we, who keep his festival, may likewise follow the example of his holy life. Thro'.

Here and at the Secret and P. Comm. is made a Commem. of St. John Baptist; and also of the

Vigil of SS. Peter and Paul as below. GOSPEL, Matt. xxv. as in p. 482.

SECRE'I.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, by the intercession of blessed Leo, that this oblation may be available to us, by the offering of which thou was pleased to blot out the sins of the whole world. Thro'.

P. COMM. Deus, qui anima.—O God, who hast bestowed on the soul of thy servant Leo, the rewards of eternal happiness: mercifully grant, that we, who are burdened with the weight of our sins, may, by his intercession, find relief. Thro'.

XXVIII. VIGIL of SS. PETER and PAUL.

INTROIT. John xxi.—The Lord said to Peter when thou wast younger, thou didst gird thyself, and didst walk where thou wouldst; but when thou shalt be old, thou shalt stretch forth thy hands and another shall gird thee, and lead thee whither thou wouldst not: and this he said, signifying by what death he should glorify God. Ps. The heavens shew forth the glory of God: and the firmament declareth the works of his hands. V. Glorv.

COLLECT. Prasta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we whom thou hast founded on the rock of the apostolic faith, may be never, shaken by any troubles.

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LESSON. Acts iii. 1. 10.—In those days: Peter and John went up to the temple, at the ninth hour of And a certain man who was lame from his mother's womb, was carried; whom they laid every day at the gate of the temple, which is called Beautiful, that he might ask alms of them that went into the temple. He, when he had seen Peter and John about to go into the temple, asked to receive an alms. But Peter with John fastening his eyes upon him. said: Look upon us. But he looked earnestly upon them, hoping that he should receive something of them. Then Peter said : Silver and gold I have none: but what I have I give thee: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, arise and walk. And taking him by the right hand, he lifted him up, and forthwith his feet and soles received strength. And he leaping up stood, and walked: and went in with them into the temple, walking, and leaping, and praising God. And all the people saw him walking and praising God. And they knew him, that it was he who sat begging alms at the Beautiful Gate of the temple: and they were filled with wonder and amazement at that which had happened to him.

GRAD. Ps. xviii. to Alleluia, as on the 11th

June, p. 591.

GOSPEL. John xxi. 15. 19.—At that time: Jesus said to Simon Peter: Simon son of John, lovest thou me more than these? He saith to him: Yea. Lord: thou knowest that I love thee. He saith to him: Feed my lambs. He saith to him again: Simon son of John, lovest thou me? He saith to him: Yea, Lord, thou knowest that I love thee. He saith to him: Feed my lambs. He saith to him the third time: Simon son of John lovest thou me? Peter was grieved, because he said to him the third time: Lovest thou me? And he said to him: Lord, thou knowest all things: thou knowest that love thee. He said to him: Feed my sheep.

Amen, amen I say to thee, when thou wast younger, thou didst gird thyself, and didst walk where thou wouldst: but when thou shalt be old, thou shalt stretch forth thy hands, and another shall gird thee, and lead thee whither thou wouldst not. said, signifying by what death he should glorify God.

OFFERT. Ps. cxxxviii.—To me, thy friends, O God, are made exceedingly honourable: their prin-

cipality is exceedingly strengthened.

SECRET .- Sanctify, O Lord, we beseech thee, the offerings of thy people by the intercession of thy apostles, and cleanse us from the stains of our sins. Thro'.

COMM. John xxi.—Simon, son of John, lovest thou me more than these? Lord, thou knowest all things: thou knowest, O Lord, that I love thee.

P. COMM. (Quos cælesti,) as to-morrow, p. 609.

XXIX. SS. PETER AND PAUL

(NTROIT. Acts xii. 11.

NOW I know in very N deed that the Lord hath sent his angel and delivered me out of the hand of Herod, and from all the expectation of the people of the Jews.

Ps. O Lord, thou proved me, and hast known me: thou hast known my sitting down, and my

rising up. V. Glorv.

NTUNC scio vere quia Misit Dominus angelum suum, et eripuit me de manu Herodis, et de omni expectatione plebis Judægrum.

Ps. cxxxviii. Domine, probasti me, et cognovisti me: tu cognovisti sessionem ineum, et resurrectionem meam.

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.-O God, who hast consecrated this day by the martyrdom of thy glorious apostles Peter and Paul; grant, that thy Church may in all things follow their directions, by whom was laid the foundation of religion. Thro.

LESSON. Acts xii. 1. 11.—In those days: Herod the king stretched forth his hand to afflict some of the Church. And he killed James the brother of John with the sword. And seeing that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to take up Peter also. Now it was in the days of azymes. And when he had apprehended him he cast him into prison, delivering him to four files of soldiers to be kept, intending after the pasch to bring him forth to the people. Peter therefore was kept in prison. But prayer was made without ceasing by the Church unto God for him. And when Herod would have brought nun forth, the same night Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains: and the keepers before the door kept the prison. And behold an angel of the Lord stood by him: and a light shined in the room: and he striking Peter on the side raised him up, saying: Arise quickly. And the chains fell off from his hands. And the angel said to him: Gird thyself, and put on thy sandals. And he did so. And he said to him: Cast thy garment about thee, and follow me. And going out he followed him, and he knew not that it was true which was done by the angel: but thought he saw a vision. And passing through the first and second ward, they came to the iron gate that leadeth to the city, which of itself opened to them. And going out, they passed on through one street: and immedi ately the angel departed from him. And Peter com ing to himself, said: Now I know in very deed that the Lord hath sent his angel, and hath delivered me out of the hand of Herod, and from all the expectation of the people of the Jews.

GRAD. To me, &c. as at the Offertory, 607.

V. Tu es Petrus, et super hanc petram ædificabo Ecclesiam meam. Alleluia. V. Thou art Peter: and upon this rock I will build my Church. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. xvi. 13. 19.—At that time: Jesus came into the quarters of Cesarea Phillipi: and he asked his disciples saying: Whom do men say that the Son of Man is? But they said: Some, John the Baptist, and other some, Elias, and others Jeremias, or one of the prophets. Jesus saith to But whom do you say that I am? Peter answered and said: Thou art Christ the Son of the living God. And Jesus answering, said to him: Blessed art thou Simon Bar-Jona; because flesh and blood hath not revealed it to thee, but my Father who is in heaven. And I say to thee: That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against And I will give to thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven. And whatsoever thou shalt bind upon earth, it shall be bound also in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth, it shall be loosed also in heaven. CREDO.

OFFERT.—Thou wilt appoint them rulers over the whole earth: they shall be mindful of thy name,

O Lord, from generation to generation.

SECRET.—May the prayers of the apostles, O Lord, accompany the offerings consecrated to thy name; and grant that we may be both cleansed and defended thereby. Thro'.

COMM. Matt. xvi.-Thou art Peter, and upon

this rock I will build my Church.

P. COMM. Quos celesti.—Defend, O Lord, from all adversity, by the intercession of thy apostles, those whom thou hast nourished with heavenly food. Thro.

XXX. COMMEMORATION of St. PAUL.

All as on January 25, p. 543, with a Commem. of St. John the Baptist, p. 601, except

EPISTLE. Gal. i. 11. 20.—Brethren: I give you to understand, that the gospel which was

preached by me, is not according to man. For neither did I receive it of man, nor did I learn it; but by the revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my conversion in time past in the Jews' religion: how that beyond measure I persecuted the Church of God, and wasted it, and I made progress in the Jews' religion above many of my equals in my own nation, being more abundantly zealous for the traditions of my fathers. But when it pleased him, who separated me from my mother's womb, and called me by his grace, to reveal his Son in me, that I might preach him among the Gentiles, immediately I condescended not to flesh and blood. Neither went I to Jerusalem to the apostles who were before me: but I went into Arabia, and again I returned to Damascus. Then, after three years, I went to Jerusalem to see Peter, and I tarried with him fifteen days: but other of the apostles I saw none: saving James the brother of the Lord. Now the things which I write to you; behold before God I lie not.

Alleluia, Alleluia. V. O holy apostle Paul, preacher of the truth, and doctor of the Gentiles, intercede for

us. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. x. as on the 11th of June p. 591. OFFERT. Ps. exxxviii.—To me thy friends, O God, are made exceedingly honourable: their principality is exceedingly strengthened.

COMM. Matt. xix.—Amen, 1 say to you: that you who have forsaken all things, and followed me, shall receive an hundred fold, and shall possess life.

everlasting.

P. COMM. Perceptis.—Having received, O Lord, these holy mysteries, we humbly beseech thee, by the intercession of thy blessed apostle Paul, that what we have celebrated in thanksgiving for the glory bestowed upon him, may be a remedy to us. Thro'

July II VISITATION of the B. V. M.

Introit, Grad. Offert. Comm. and P. Comm. as in the Votive Mass, Salve, p. 507. The Collect, &c. as on December 8, p. 529. with Commems. of SS. Peter and Paul, as on June 29, p. 607.

Commem. of SS. Processus and Martinian, mm. COLLECT. Deus, qui.-O God, who by the glorious sufferings of thy holy martyrs Processus and Martinian, art pleased to protect and defend us: grant, we may improve by their example, and find comfort in their prayers. Thro'.

LESSON. Cant. ii. 8. 14.—Behold he cometh, leaping upon the mountains, skipping over the hills. My beloved is like a roe or a young hart. Behold he standeth behind our wall, looking through the windows, looking through the lattices. Behold my beloved speaketh to me: Arise, make haste, my love, my dove, my beautiful one, and come. winter is now past, the rain is over and gone. flowers have appeared in our land, the time of pruning is come, the voice of the turtle is heard in our land: the fig-tree hath put forth her green figs, the vine in flower yield their sweet smell. Arise, my love, my beautiful one, and come. My dove in the clefts of the rock, in the hollow places of the wall, shew me thy face, let thy voice sound in my ear: for thy voice is sweet, and thy face comely.

GOSPEL. Luke i. as in p. 62. Chedo.

SECRET. (Of SS. Processus, &c.) Receive, O Lord, our prayers and offerings: and that they may be found worthy in thy sight, let us be assisted by the prayers of thy saints. Thro'.

P. COMM. Refecti.—Being nourished by the participation of the holy body and precious blood of this sacrifice; we beseech thee, O Lord our God,

that what we perform with pious devotion, may be a certain means of obtaining our salvation. Thro'

Within the OCTAVE of SS. PETER and PAUL. Introit, Mihi autem, p. 524. Collect, &c. as on June 29, p. 607.

LESSON. Acts v. 12. 16.—In those days: By the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people. And they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch. But of the rest no man durst join himself to them: but the people magnified them. And the multitude of men and women that believed in the Lord was more increased: insomuch, that they brought forth the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and couches, that when Peter came, his shadow, at least, might overshadow any of them, and they might be delivered from their infirmities. And there came also together to Jerusalem a multitude out of the neighbouring cities, bringing sick persons, and such as were troubled with unclean spirits; who were all healed.

GRAD. Ps. xliv.—Thou shalt make them princes over all the earth: they shall remember thy name, O Lord. V. Instead of thy fathers sons are born to thee: therefore shall people praise thee. Alleluia. Alleluia. V. I have prayed for thee, Peter, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted,

strengthen thy brethren. Alleluia.

GÖSPEL. Matt. xix. as in p. 492.

COMM.—You who have followed me shall sit upon thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

VI. OCTAVE of SS. PETER and PAUL.

INTROIT.—Sapientiam, as in p. 477.

COLLECT. Deus, cujus.—O God, whose right hand saved blessed Peter from being drowned whilst he walked upon the sea, and delivered his fellow apostle Paul from the bottom thereof, when he had been a third time shipwrecked: mercifully hear us

and grant, that by the merits of both, we may obtain a happy eternity. Thro'.

LESSON, Eccles. xliv. as in p. 603.

GRAD.—The souls of the just are in the hand of God, and the torment of the wicked shall not touch them. V. In the sight of the unwise they seem to die, but they are in peace.* Alleluia, Alleluia, You have continued with me in all my sufferings, and I prepare a kingdom for you: that you may sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. xiv. 22. 33.—At that time . Jesus obliged his disciples to go up into the boat, and to go before him over the water, till he dismissed the people. And having dismissed the multitude, he went up into a mountain to pray. And when it was evening, he was there alone. But the boat in the midst of the sea was tossed with the waves: for the wind was contrary. And in the fourth watch of the night, he came to them walking upon the sea. And they seeing him walking upon the sea, were troubled, saying: It is an apparition. And they cried out for fear. And immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying: Be of good heart; it is I, fear ye not. And Peter making answer, said: Lord, if it be thou, bid me come to thee upon the waters. And he said: Come. And Peter going down out of the boat, walked upon the water to come to Jesus. But seeing the wind strong he was afraid: and when he began to sink, he cried out, saving: Lord, save me. And immediately Jesus stretching forth his hand took hold of him, and said to him: O thou of little faith, why dost thou doubt? And when they were come into the boat, the wind ceased. And they that were in the boat, came and adored him, saying: Indeed thou art the Son of God. CREDO.

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OFFERT. -The saints shall rejoice in glory: they shall rejoice on their couches: they shall sing the

high praises of God.

SECRET.—That the prayers and offerings we oring, O Lord, may be acceptable in thy sight, grant we may be assisted by the prayers of thy apostles Peter and Paul. Thro'.

COMM. Same as the foregoing Gradual to the P. COMM. Protege.—Protect, O Lord, thy people: and continually preserve those who have confidence in the intercession of thy holy apostles, Peter and Paul. Thro?

VII. TRANSLATION of the RELICS of St. THOMAS abp. of CANTERBURY, m.

All as on the 29th of December, p. 85, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who grantest us to celebrate the Translation of the relics of blessed Thomas thy martyr and bishop: we humbly beseech thee, that, by his merits and prayers, we may pass from vice to virtue, and from the prison of this flesh, to an eternal kingdom. Thro'.

SECRET.—O God, who changest, by thy heavenly benediction, the bread and wine no thy body and blood: grant, that by the interression of blessed Thomas, thy martyr and bishop, having recourse to thy mercy, we may conform to thy will. Who livest.

COMM. John x .- I am the good shepherd, and

I know my sheep, and my sheep know me.

P. COMM. Deus, qui.—O God, who translated blessed Thomas, thy martyr and bishop from temporal sufferings to eternal joys: grant, we beseech thee, that we who celebrate his festival, may, by his patronage, pass to the joys of heaven. Thro'.

VIII. St. ELIZABETH, w.

All as in Mass XXI. p. 502, except

COLLECT. Clementissime.—O most merciful God, who, amongst other admirable endowments, didst privilege blessed Elizabeth with the gift of making wars cease: grant, by her prayers, that after having enjoyed the peace, which we humbly crave in this mortal life, we may be received into everlasting bliss. Thro'.

X. The SEVEN BRETHREN, mm. and SS. RU-FINA, and SECUNDA, vv. mm.

INTROIT. Ps. exii.—Praise the Lord, ye children, praise ye the name of the Lord: who maketh a barren woman to dwell in a house the joyful mother of children. Ps. Blessed be the name of the Lord, from henceforth, now and for ever. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Prasia.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that as we have been informed of the constancy of these glorious martyrs in the profession of thy faith, so we may experience their kindness in recommending us to thy mercy "liro".

LESSON. Prov. xxix. as in p. 502.

GRAD. Ps. exxiii.—Our souls hath been delivered as a sparrow out of the snare of the towlers. V. The snare is broken, and we are delivered. Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. These were truly brothers, who triumphed over the iniquity of the world, followed Christ, and are now in possession of the glorious kingdom of heaven. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. xii. 46. 50.—At that time As Jesus was speaking to the multitudes, behold his mother and his brethren stood without, seeking to speak to him. And one said to him: Behold dry mother and thy brethren stand without seeking thee.

But he answering him that told him, said: Who is my mother and who are my brethren? And stretching forth his hand towards his disciples, he said: Behold my mother and my brethren. For whosoever shall do the will of my Father that is in heaven, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother.

OFFERT. Ps. exxiii.—Our soul, &c. as Grad. p. 615, to*.

SECRET.—Mercifully, O Lord, look down on the sacrifice which we offer thee; and grant, by the intercession of thy saints, that it may increase our devotion, and avail to our salvation. Thro'.

COMM. Matt. xii.—Whosoever shall do the will of my Father, who is in heaven: the same is my brother, sister, and mother, saith the Lord.

P. COMM. Quasumus.—We beseech thee, O Almighty God, that by the intercession of thy saints, we may obtain the effect of that salvation, a pledge whereof we have received in these mysteries. Thro'.

XII. St. JOHN GAULBERT, ab. c. All as in Mass XV.* p. 495, except

GOSPEL. Matt. v. 43. 48.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: You have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thy enemy. But I say to you, love your enemies, do good to them that hate you and pray for them that persecute and calumniate you: that you may be the children of your Father who is in heaven who maketh his sun to rise upon the good and bad and raineth upon the just and unjust. For if you love them that love you, what reward shall you have, do not even the publicans this? And if you salute your brethren only, what do you more? Do not also the heathens this? Be you therefore perfect, as also your heavenly Father is perfect.

Commem. of SS. Nabor and Felix, mm.

COLLECT. Præsta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that as we make a yearly commemoration of these thy holy martyrs: so we may always be

partakers of their intercession. Thro'.

SECRET.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that the offerings of thy people may be acceptable to thee through the intercession of thy holy martyrs Nabor and Felix: and that they may be rendered worthy by the merits of those, in honour of whose triumphs they are offered to thy holy name. Thro?

P. COMM. Natalitis.—Being refreshed, by virtue of the sacrament we have received on the festival of thy saints, we beseech thee, O Lord, that we may eternally enjoy the good things wherewith thou hast

now been pleased to cherish us. Thro'.

XIV. St. BONAVENTURE, bp. c. and D. All as in Mass XII. p. 485, except

GRAD. Ps. xxxvi.—The mouth of the just shall meditate wisdom: and his tongue shall speak judgment. V. The law of his God is in his heart. And his steps shall not be supplanted. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. The Lord hath sworn and he will not repent. Thou art a priest for ever according to the order of Melchisedech. Alleluia.

OFI'ERT. Ps. lxxxviii.—May truth, &c. and SECRET.—May the annual solemnity, &c. as in

Mass XI. p. 485.

XV. St. SWITHIN, bp. of Winchester, c.

All as in Mass XI. p. 484, except

COLLECT. Omnipotens.—Almighty and eternal God, who hast made this day honourable by the celebration of the festival of blessed Swithin, thy confessor and bishop, grant to the church that we

may obtain heaven through his intercession, whose

memory we venerate on earth. Thro'.

SECRET.—Look down, we beseech thee, O Lord, on thy people who approach thy sacraments on this festival of blessed Swithin, thy confessor and bishop, and grant that what they offer in honour of thy name, may, by his prayers, avail to the pardon of their sins. Thro?

P. COMM. Pignus.—Having received the pledge of eternal life, we beseech thee, O Lord, that by the intercession of blessed Swithin, thy confessor and bishop, we may hereafter openly partake of what we have now sacramentally received. Thro:

XVI. B. V. M. of MOUNT CARMEL.

All as in the Votive Mass, Salve, p. 507, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who hast honoured the order of the Carmelites with the singular title of the blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God: mercifully grant that we who solemnize this her commemoration, may by the aid of her prayers arrive at eternal happiness. Thro.

XVII. St. OSMUND, bp. of Salisbury, c.

All as in Mass X. * p. 482, except

COLLECT. Omnipotens.—Almighty and eternal God, who rejoicest us on this festival of blessed Osmund, thy confessor and bishop, we humbly beseech thy elemency, that as we devoutly celebrate his solemnity, we may obtain through his prayers, the glory of eternal life. Thro'.

SECRET.—Sanctify we beseech thee, O Lord, our offerings through the merits and intercession of blessed Osmund, that they may be changed into the body and blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and avail to

the salvation of our souls. Thro'.

P. COMM. Sumptis.—Having received thy sacred gifts, we beseech thee, O Lord, that by their efficacy we may imitate the example of blessed Osmund, thy confessor and bishop, and thereby obtain eternal joys. Thro.

XVIII. St. CAMILLUS de LELLIS, c.

INTROIT.—No man hath greater love, than to lay down his life for his friends. Ps. Blessed is he that attendent to the needy and poor; for in the evil day the Lord will delive him.

day the Lord will deliver him. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who didst gloriously animate blessed Camillus with a singular charity in assisting souls in their last agony; pour forth, we beseech thee, into us by his intercession, the spirit of thy love, that we may overcome the enemy at the hour of death, and arrive at a crown in heaven. Thro'.

Commem. of St. Symphorosa, &c. by the Collect, &c. of Mass VIII. p. 477.

Epistle, John iii. as in p. 399. Grad. and Offert. as in Mass XI. pp. 484, 485.

GOSPEL. John xv. 12. 16.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: This is my commandment, that you love one another, as I have loved you. Greater love than this no man hath, that a man lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends, if you do the things that I command you. I will not now call you servants: for the servant knoweth not what the Lord doth. But I have called you friends: because all things whatsoever I have heard of my Father, I have made known to you. You have not chosen me; but I have chosen you; and have appointed you, that you should go, and should bring forth fruit; and your fruit should remain: that whatsoever you shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.

SECRET.—Let the spotless victim, by the offer ing of which we renew the work of our redemption, the effects of the immense charity of Jesus Christipecome for us, by the intercession of blessed Camillus, a salutary remedy against all our weaknesses of body and soul, and a comfort and defence in our last agony. Thro?

COMM.—I was sick and you visited me: amen, amen, I say unto you: inasmuch as you have done this to one of the least of my brethren, you have done

it unto me.

P. COMM. Per hac.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, by these heavenly mysteries, which we have received with piety and devotion on this festival of blessed Camillus, that we may be refreshed with the same at the hour of death, and, being delivered from all sin, be joyfully received into the bosom of thy mercy. Thro?.

XIX. St. VINCENT a PAULO, c.

All as in Mass XIV. p. 489, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who didst strengthen blessed Vincent with apostolic courage to preach the gospel to the poor, and promote the honour of the ecclesiastical order: grant, we beseech thee, that we who respect his merits, may be instructed by the example of his virtues. Thro'.

Grad. Ps. xci. and Gospel, Luke xii. as in p. 488.

XX. St. JEROME EMILIAN, c.

INTROIT. Jeremiah Lam. ii.—My liver is poured out on the earth, for the destruction of the daughter of my people, when the children, and the sucklings fainted away in the streets of the city. Ps. Praise the Lord, ye children: praise the name of the Lord. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Deus, miserwordsarum.—O God, the Father of mercies: grant, by the merits and intercession of blessed Jerome, whom thou wast pleased to make a helper and father to poor orphans, that we may faithfully preserve the spirit of adoption, by which we are called, and are in reality thy children. Thro'.

Commem. of St. Margaret, by the Collect, &c. of Mass XVII. p. 496.

LESSON. Isaiah, lviii. 7. 11.—Deal thy bread to the hungry, and bring the needy and the harbourless into thy house: when thou shalt see one naked. cover him, and despise not thy own flesh. Then shall thy light break forth as the morning, and thy health shall speedily arise, and thy justice shall go before thy face, and the glory of the Lord shall gather thee up. Then shalt thou call, and the Lord shall hear: thou shalt cry, and he shall say: Here I am. If thou wilt take away the chain out of the midst of thee, and cease to stretch out the finger, and to speak that which is good for nothing. When thou shalt pour out thy soul to the hungry, and shalt satisfy the afflicted soul, then shall thy light rise up in darkness, and thy darkness shall be as the noon-day. And the Lord will give thee rest continually, and will fill thy soul with brightness, and deliver thy bones, and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a fountain of water whose waters shall not fail.

GRAD Prov. v.—Let thy fountains be conveyed abroad, and in the streets divide thy waters. V. Acceptable is the man who sheweth mercy and lendeth: he shall order his words with judgment, because he shall not be moved for ever. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. He hath distributed, he hath given to the poor: his justice remaineth for ever. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. xix. 13. 22.—At that time: Some little children were presented to him, that he

should impose hands upon them and pray. And the disciples rebuked them. But Jesus said to them: Suffer the little children, and forbid them not to come to me: for the kingdom of heaven is for such. And when he had imposed hands upon them, he departed from thence. And behold one came and said to him: Good master, what good shall I do that I may have life everlasting? Who said to him: Why askest thou me concerning good? One is good, God. But if thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments. He said to him: Which? And Jesus said: Thou shalt do no murder, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Honour thy father and thy mother: and, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. The young man saith to him: All these things have I kept from my youth, what is yet wanting to me? Jesus saith to him: If thou wilt be perfect, go, sell what thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, follow me.

OFFERT. Tob. xii.—When thou didst pray with tears, and didst bury the dead, and didst leave thy dinner, and hide the dead by day in thy house, and bury them by night, I offered thy prayer to the Lord.

SECRET.—Most merciful God, who destroying the old man, didst vouchsafe to form a new one in blessed Jerome: grant, by his merits, that we also, putting on the new man, may offer thee this sacrifice of propitiation as a most sweet odour. 'Thro'.

COMM.—Pure and spotless religion before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their distress: and to keep one's self undefiled in this world.

P. COMM. Angelorum.—Being refreshed with the bread of angels, we humbly beseeh thee, O Lord, that we who rejoice on the solemnity of blessed Jerome, thy Confessor, may also follow his example, and thereby obtain an ample reward in heaven Thro'.

XXI. St. HENRY, Emperor.

All as in Mass XIII. Os justi, p. 488, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who didst this day remove blessed Henry thy confessor from his earthly throne to an eternal kingdom: we humbly beseech thee, that as by the assistance of thy grace, he was proof against all the temptations of the world: so we may follow his example in withstanding all the flatteries of this world, and serve thee with clean hearts. Thro'.

XXII. St. MARY MAGDALEN.

INTROIT. Me expectaverunt, as in p. 496.

COLLECT. Beata Maria.—Grant, O Lord, we may be assisted by the prayers of blessed Mary Magdalen: at whose request thou wast pleased to raise Lazarus from the dead, after he had been four

days in the grave. Who liveth.

LESSON. Cant. iii. 2. 5. viii. 6, 7.—I will rise and will go about the city: in the streets and the broad ways, I will seek him whom my soul loveth: I sought him, and I found him not. The watchmen who keep the city found me. Have you seen him whom my soul loveth? When I had a little passed by them, I found him whom my soul loveth; I held him, and I will not let him go, till I bring him into my mother's house, and into the chamber of her that bore me. I adjure you, O daughters of Jerusalem, by the roes and harts of the fields, that you stir not up, nor wake my beloved till she please. (Chap. viii.) Put me as a seal upon thy heart, as a seal upon thy arm: for love is strong as death

jealousy, is hard as hell, the lamps therefore as lamps of fire and flames. Many waters cannot quench charity, neither can the floods drown it: if a man should give all the substance of his house for love, he shall despise it as nothing.

GRAD. Ps. xliv.—Thou hast loved justice and hated iniquity. V. Therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Grace is poured abroad in thy lips; therefore hath God blessed thee for ever. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Luke vii. as in p. 221.

OFFERT.—The daughters of kings honour thee: the queen was on thy right hand in a robe of gold,

with a variety of other ornaments.

SECRET.—We beseech thee, O Lord, that the glorious merits of blessed Mary Magdalen may render our offerings acceptable to thee: since thy only begotten Son graciously received the service which she did him. Who liveth.

COMM. Ps. cxviii. I have, &c. as in p. 497.

P. COMM. Sumpta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that we who have received thy precious body and blood, the only sovereign remedy, may, by the intercession of the blessed Mary Magdalen, be delivered from all evils. Who liveth.

XXIII. St. APOLINARIS, bp. m.

All as in Mass II. p. 464, except

COLLECT. Deus, fidelium.—O God, the rewarder of thy faithful servants, who hast consecrated this day by the martyrdom of blessed Apolinaris, thy Bishop: grant we may obtain entire pardon for all our offences, by his prayers, whose memory we celebrate on this present festival. Thro'.

Commem. of St. Liborius, by the Collect, Secre and P. Comm. of Mass X. * p. 482.

EPISTLE. 1 Peter v. 1. 11.—Dearly beloved: The ancients that are among you, I beseech who am myself also an ancient and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as also a partaker of that glory which is to be revealed in time to come. Feed the flock of God, which is among you, taking care of it not by constraint, but willingly according to God: and not for filthy lucre's sake, but voluntarily: neither as lording it over the clergy, but being made a pattern of the flock from the heart. And when the Prince of pastors shall appear, you shall receive a never-fading crown of glory. In like manner ye young men be subject to the ancients. And do ye all insinuate humility one to another, for God resisteth the proud, but to the humble he giveth grace. Be you humbled therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in the time of visitation: casting all your care upon him, for he hath care of you. Be sober and watch: because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion goeth about, seeking whom he may devour: whom resist ye strong in faith; knowing that the same affliction befalls your brethren who are in the world. But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto eternal glory in Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a little, will himself perfect you, and confirm you, and establish you. To him be glory and empire for ever and ever Amen.

GRAD. Ps. lxxxviii, to Alleluia, as in p. 462. V. The Lord hath sworn, and he will not repent: Thou art a priest for ever according to the order of Melchisedech. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Luke xxii. 24. 30.—At that time: There arose a strife among the disciples, which of them should seem to be greater. And Jesus said to them: The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them: and they that have power over them, are called beneficent. But you not so: but he that is the greater

among you, let him become as the younger: and he that is leader, as he that serveth. For which is greater, he that sitteth at table, or he that serveth? Is not he that sitteth at table? But I am in the midst of you, as he that serveth: and you are they who have continued with me in my temptations: and I dispose to you, as my Father hath disposed to me, a kingdom: that you may eat and drink at my table, in my kingdom: and may sit upon thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

OFFERT.—My truth and my mercy are with him: and in my name shall his power be exalted.

SECRET.—Look favourably, O Lord, on these gifts which we offer in commemoration of blessed Apolinaris thy bishop and martyr, and for the expia-

tion of our offences. Thro'.

COMM. Matt. xxv.—Lord, thou didst deliver to me five talents: behold I have gained other five over and above: Well done good and faithful servant, because thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.

P. COMM, Twa Sancta.—Having received thy holy mysteries, we beseech thee, O Lord, that we may enjoy the continual protection of blessed Apolinaris, because thou never ceasest propitiously to regard those to whom thou hast granted the favour of

such protection. Thro'.

XXIV. St. ALEXIUS, c.

All as in Mass XIII. p. 488, with a Comm. of St. Pantaleon, by the Collect, &c. of Mass IV. p. 468, except

EPISTLE. 1 Tim. vi. 6. 12.—Dear Brother: Godliness with contentment, is great gain. For we brought nothing into this world: and certainly we can carry nothing out. But having food, and where-

with to be covered, with these we are content. For they that will become rich, fall into temptation, and into the snare of the devil, and into many unprofitable and hurtful desires which drown men into destruction and perdition. For the desire of money is the root of all evils; which some coveting have erred from the faith, and have entangled themselves in many sorrows. But thou, O man of God, fly these things, and pursue justice, godliness, faith, charity, patience, mildness. Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life.

GOSPEL. Matt. xxv. as in p. 482.

XXV. St. JAMES, ap.

INTROIT.—Mihi autem, as in p. 524. COLLECT, Esto, Domine.—Sanctify, O Lord, and preserve thy people; that being assisted by James, thy Apostle, they may please thee in their conduct of life, and always serve thee with a steadfast faith. Thro'.

Commem. of St. Christopher, m. by the Collect, &c. as in Mass III. p. 466.

LESSON. 1 Cor. iv. 9. 15.—Brethren: 1 think that God hath set forth us apostles, the last, as it • were men appointed to death: because we are made a spectacle to the world, and to angels, and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ: we are weak, but you are strong: you are honourable, but we without honour. this hour we both hunger and thirst, and are naked, and are buffetted, and have no fixed abode. we labour working with our own hands: we are reviled, and we bless: we are persecuted, and we suffer it. We are blasphemed, and we entreat: we are made as the refuse of this world, the offscouring of all even until now. I write not these things to confound you; but I admonish you as my dearest children: for if you have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet not many fathers. For in Christ Jesus

by the gospel I have begotten you.

GRAD. Ps. xliv.—Thou shalt make them princes over all the earth: they shall remember thy name, O Lord. V. Instead of thy fathers, sons are born to thee: therefore shall people praise thee. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. I chose you out of the world, to go on and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit might abide. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. xx. from * to † as in p. 154.

OFFERT. Ps. xviii.—Their sound hath gone forth into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world.

SECRET.—May the martyrdom of blessed James, thy Apostle, we beseech thee, O Lord, render the oblations of thy people acceptable to thee; and may his prayers make them agreeable, which otherwise would not be so, for want of merit in us.

COMM.—You, who have followed me, shall sit

on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

P. COMM. Beati.—Assist us, O Lord, we beseech thee, by the intercession of blessed James, thy Apostle, on whose festival we have joyfully received thy holy mysteries. Thro'.

XXVI. St. ANNE, Mother of the B. V. M.

INTROIT.—Let us all rejoice, and celebrate this festival in honour of blessed Anne: on whose solemnity the angels rejoice, and praise the Son of God. Ps. My heart hath uttered good tidings: my works I refer to the king. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who by thy grace wast pleased to choose blessed Anne to be the mother of the Virgin Mary; mercifully grant that we, who celebrate her festival, may be helped by her

prayers to thee. Thro'.

LESSON. Prov. xix. as in p. 502.

GRAD.—Thou hast loved justice, and hated iniquity. V. Therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness. Alleluia. Alleluia. V. Grace is spread on thy lips: therefore hath God blessed thee for ever. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. xiii. as in p. 501.

OFFERT.—The daughters of kings honour thee: the queen was on thy right hand in a robe of gold,

with a variety of other ornaments.

SECRET.—Being appeased, O Lord, by this sacrifice, look down upon us, and grant that, by the intercession of B. Anne, the mother of her who bore thy only begotten Son J. Christ, it may increase our devotion, and avail to our salvation. Thro'.

COMM.—Grace is spread on thy lips: therefore

hath God blessed thee for ever and ever.

P. COMM. Calestibus.—Being fed by these heavenly mysteries, Grant, O Lord, that we may obtain eternal salvation, by the intercession of B. Anne, whom thou wast pleased to make choice of to be the mother of her who bore thy Son. Thro'.

XXVIII. SS. NAZARIUS, &c. mm.

All as in Mass VII. p. 475, except

COLL. Sanctorum.—We beseech thee, O Lord, that the constancy of holy Nazarius, Celsus, Victor, and Innocent, thy servants, in the fossion of their faith, may be a help to us, and a means of obtaining strength from thee in all our infirmities. Thro'.

LESSON. Wisd. x. 17. 20.—God hath rendered to the just the wages of their labours, and conducted them in a wonderful way: and he was to them for a covert by day, and for the light of stars by night: and he brought them through the Red Sea, and carried them over through a great water. But their enemies he drowned in the sea, and from the depth

of hell he brought them out. Therefore the just took the spoils of the wicked, and they sung to thy holy name, O Lord, and they praised with one accord

thy victorious hand, O Lord our God.

SECRET.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that being appeased by the offerings we make to thee in honour of thy saints, Nazarius, Celsus, Victor, and Innocent, we may thereby receive new life. Thro'.

P. COMM. Sanctorum.—Being appeared, O Lord, we beseech thee, by the intercession of holy Nazarius, Celsus, Victor, and Innocent, grant that the mystery we now celebrate in time, we may receive in eternal salvation.

Thro'.

XXIX. St. MARTHA, v.

All as in Mass XIX. p. 498, except the Gospel, Luke x. as on August 15, with a Comm. of SS. FELIX, &c. mm. as follows:

COLLECT. Præsta.—Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, that as thy christian people rejoice on the solemnity of thy holy mm. Felix, Simplicius, Faustin, and Beatrix; so they may partake of their eternal joys, and be one day possessed of that happmess which they now so earnestly desire.

SECRET.—We offer thee, O Lord, these oblations in commemoration of thy holy martyrs, Felix Simplicius, Faustin, and Beatrix: humbly beseeching thee that they may obtain for us pardon of our

sins, and eternal salvation. Thro'.

P. COMM. Presta.—Grant, we beseech thee O Almighty God, that the mysteries we have celebrated on the festival of thy holy martyrs, Felix Simplicius, Faustin, and Beatrix, may procure for is the merciful pardon of our sins. Thro'.

XXX. SS. ABDON and SENNEN, inm.

Introit, Grad. to Alleluia, and Offert. as in Mass VII p. 475.

COLLECT. Deus.—O God, who by thy abundant grace, didst crown B. Abdon and Sennen with glory: grant thy servants the pardon of their sins, that, the merits of thy saints pleading in our behalf, we may be delivered from all adversities. Thro?

EPISTLE. 2 Cor. vi. 4, 10.—Brethren: Let us exhibit ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience, in tribulation, in necessities, in distresses, in stripes, in prisons, in seditions, in labours, in watchings, in fastings, in chastity, in knowledge, in long-suffering, in sweetness, in the Holy Ghost, in charity unfeigned, in the word of truth, in the power of God; by the armour of justice on the right hand, and on the left: by honour, and dishonour, by evil report, and good report: as deceivers, and yet true: as unknown, and yet known: as dying, and behold we live: as chastised, and not killed: as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing: as needy, yet enriching many; as having nothing, and possessing all things.

Alleluia, Alleluia. V. The souls of the righteous are in the hands of God, and the torments of the

wicked shall not touch them. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. v. ås on the 1st November.

SECRET.—Grant, as in p. 491.

COMM. Ps. lxxviii.—They gave the dead bodies of thy servants, O Lord, to be meat for the fowls of the air: the flesh of thy saints for the beasts of the earth. According to the greatness of thy arm, take possession of the children of them that have been put to death.

P. COMM. Per hujus.—By virtue of this mystery, O Lord, may our vices be destroyed, and by the intercession of thy holy martyrs, Abdon and Sennen,

our just desires fulfilled.

XXXI. St. IGNATIUS, Confessor.

INTROIT. to Ps. as in p. 94.—Ps. All who love thy name shall glory in thee: because thou wilt bless

the righteous man. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who for the increase of the glory of thy holy name, wast pleased, by blessed Ignatius, to strengthen thy Church militant with a new supply: grant, that being aided by his prayers, during our warfare on earth, we may so imitate his virtues, as to be happily crowned with him in heaven. Thro.

EPISTLE. 2 Tim. as in p. 468.

GRAD. Ps. xci.—The just man, &c. p. 488.

GOSPEL. Luke x. as on St. Mark, the 25th April. OFFERT. Ps. lxxxvi.—My truth and my mercy shall be with him: and in my name his horn shall be exalted.

SECRET.—May the charitable prayers of blessed Ignatius, O Lord, accompany our oblation: that the holy mysteries wherein thou hast established the fountain of all holiness, may also sanctify us in truth. Thro?

COMM. Luke xii.—I am come to cast fire on the earth, and what will I, but that it be kindled?

P. COMM. Laudis.—May the sacrifice of praise, O Lord, which we have offered thee with thanksgiving for holy Ignatius, cause us to arrive, by his intercession, at that happy state where we may perpetually praise thy majesty. Thro'.

August 1. St. PETER's CHAINS.

All as on the 29th of June, p. 607, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who deliveredst blessed Peter the Apostle from his chains, and set him untouched at liberty, deliver us, we besecch thee, from the bonds of our sins, and mercifully protect us from all evil. Thro'.

II. St. STEPHEN, p m.

INTROIT. Ps. cxxxi.—I will clothe his priests with salvation, and his saints shall rejoice with exceeding great joy. Ps. O Lord, remember David and all his meekness. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Deus, qui nos, as in p. 464.

LESSON. Acts xx. 17. 21.—In those days; Paul sending from Miletus to Ephesus, he called the ancients of the church. And when they were come to him, and were together, he said to them: You know, from the first day that I came into Asia, in what manner I have been with you for all the time: serving the Lord with all humility, and with tears, and temptations, which befell me by the conspiracies of the Jews: how I have kept back nothing that was profitable to you, but have preached it to you, and taught you publicly, and from house to house: testifying both to Jews and Gentiles penance towards God, and faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

Grad. Eccl. p. 482. Gospel, Matt. xvi. Offert. Secret. and P. Comm. as in p. 465. Comm.

(Lord thou didst) as on the 23d. July p. 526.

IV. St. DOMINIC, c.

INTROIT. Os justi, as in p. 488.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who hast enlightened thy church by the eminent virtues and preaching of blessed Doninic, thy Confessor: grant that by his prayers we may be provided against all temporal necessities, and daily improve in all spiritual good. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 2 Tim. as in p. 496.

GRAD.—The just shall flourish like the palm tree: he shall grow up like the cedar of Libanus

in the house of the Lord. V. To shew forth thy mercy in the morning, and thy truth in the night. Alleluia. Alleluia. V. The just man shall bud forth like the lily, and flourish for ever before the Lord. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Luke xii. as in p. 488.

OFFERT. Ps. lxxxviii.—My truth and my mercy are with him, and in my name shall his power be exalted.

SECRET.—Sanctify, O Lord, the gifts we have offered thee, and by the merits of blessed Dominic, thy Confessor, grant that they may be healing to us. Thro'.

COMM.—This is the faithful and prudent servant, whom the Lord placed over his family, to give them

their measure of wheat in due season.

P. COMM.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we who are oppressed, with the burden of our sins, may be delivered therefrom by the intercession of B. Dominic, thy Confessor. Thro'.

VI. TRANSFIGURATION of our LORD.

INTROIT. Ps. lxxvi.—Thy lightnings enlightened the whole world; the earth shook and trembled. Ps. How lovely are thy tabernacles, O Lord of Hosts! My soul longeth and fainteth for the courts of the

Lord. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who by the testimony of the prophets, didst confirm the mysteries of our faith in the glorious transfiguration of thy Son, and by a voice from heaven shewedst us that we are thy adopted children: mercifully grant that we may be heirs to the King of Glory, and partakers of his bliss. Thro.

Commen. of St. XYSTUS, &c. mm. by the Collect. Secret and P. Comm. of Mass VI. p. 473. EPISTLE. 2 Peter i. 16, 19.—Dearly Beloved

EPISTLE. 2 Peter i. 16, 19.—Dearly Beloved We have not followed cunningly devised fables,

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when we made known to you the power and presence of our Lord Jesus Christ: but having been made eye-witnesses of his majesty. For, he received from God the Father honour and glory: this voice coming down to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son in whom I have pleased myself, hear ye him. And this voice we heard brought from heaven, when we were with him in the holy mount. And we have the more prophetical word: whereunto you do well to attend, as to a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day-star arise in your hearts.

GRAD. Ps. xliv.—Thou art beautiful above the sons of men: grace is poured abroad in thy lips. V. My heart hat uttered a good word; I speak my works to the king. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. He is the brightness of eternal light; the unspotted mirror

and the image of his goodness. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. xvii. as in p. 147. OFFERT. Ps. cxi.—Glory and wealth shall be in his house: and his justice remaineth for ever and ever. Alleluia, Alleluia.

SECRET.—Sanctify, we beseech thee, O Lord, our oblations, by the glorious transfiguration of thine only begotten Son: and, by the splendour of his light, cleanse us from the stains of our sins. Thro'.

Preface, Quia per incarnati, p. xxx.

COMM. Matt. xvii.—Tell not the vision you have seen to any one, till the Son of Man arises from the dead.

O. COMM. Præsta. — Grant, we beseech thee, O. Almighty God, that our minds being enlighten d, we may comprehend the mysteries we celebrate on the solemnay of the Transfiguration of thy Son Thro'

VII. St. CAJETAN, c.

All as in Mass XIII. p. 488, except

COLLECT. Deus.—O God, through whose grace B. Cajetan imitated the life of the Apostles: grant, by his prayers and example, that we may always rely on thee, and fix our hopes on heaven. Thro'.

COLLECT, Of St. DONATUS.—O God, the glory of thy priests: grant, we beseech thee, to us thy servants, that in solemnizing the festival of thy holy m. and bp. Donatus, we may be partakers of his prayers. Thro.

GOSPEL. Matt. vi. as in p. 426.

SECRET. (Of St. Donatus.)—Increase in us, O Lord, we beseech thee, the fruitr of true devotion, by the intercession of blessed Donatus, thy m. and bp. whom we honour by offering the gifts consecrated to the praise of thy name. Thro'.

P. COMM. (Of St. Donatus.) Almighty and eternal God, who makest us partakers and ministers of thy sacraments: grant, we beseech thee, that by the intercession of blessed Donatus, thy m. and bp we may imitate his faith and piety. Thro.

VIII. SS. CYRIACUS, LARGUS, &c. mm.

INTROIT. Ps. xxxiii.—Fear the Lord, all ye his saints, for there is no want to them that fear him: the rich have wanted, and suffered hunger: but they that seek the Lord shall not be deprived of any good. Ps. I will bless the Lord at all times: his praise shall be for ever in my mouth. V. Glory.

COLLEC'I. Deus qui, as in p. 479.

EPISTLE. 1 Thess. ii. 13.—Brethren: We also give thanks to God without ceasing: because that when you had received of us the word of the hearing of God, you received it not as the word of men, but (as it is indeed) the word of God, who worketh in

you that have believed. For you, brethren, are become followers of the churches of God which are in Judea, in Christ Jesus: for you also have suffered the same things from your own countrymen, even as they have from the Jews: who both killed the Lord Jesus, and the prophets, and have persecuted us, and they pleased not God, and are adversaries to all men: prohibiting us to speak to the Gentiles, that they may be saved, to fill up their sins always: for the wrath of God is come upon them to the end.

GRAD. Ps. xxxiii.—Fear the Lord all ye his saints: for there is no want to them that fear him. V. They that seek the Lord shall not be deprived of any good. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Wisd. iii. The righteous shall shine, and shall run as fire among the

reeds, for ever. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Mark xvi. 15. 18.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: Go ye into the whole world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth, and is baptized, shall be saved: but he that believeth not shall be condemned. And these signs shall follow them that believe: in my name they shall cast out devils: they shall speak with new tongues: they shall take up serpents: and if they shall drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them: they shall lay their hands upon the sick, and they shall recover.

OFFERT. Ps. xxxi.—Be glad in the Lord and leap for joy, ye righteous: and praise him, all ye

upright of heart.

SECRET.—May our devotion, O Lord, be pleasing to thee, and avail us to salvation, by the merits of those on whose festival we pay it to thee. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. xvi.—These miracles shall accompany those that believe in me: they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

P. COMM. (Refecti,) as in p. 473.

IX. VIGIL St. LAWRENCE, m.

INTROIT. Ps. exi.—He hath distributed, he hath given to the poor: his justice remaineth for ever and ever: his horn shall be exalted in glory. Ps. Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord: he shall delight exceedingly in his commandments. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Adesto.—Give ear, O Lord, to our prayers, and by the intercession of blessed Lawrence thy martyr, whose festival we are now preparing to celebrate, pour forth upon us the gift of thy everlasting mercy. Thro'.

Commem. of St. Romanus, by the Collect, &c. of Mass IV. p. 468.

LESSON. Eccles. li. as in. p. 496.

GRAD.—He hath distributed, he hath given to the poor: his justice remaineth for ever and ever. V. His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the righteous shall be blessed.

GOSPEL. Matt. xiv. as in p. 465.

OFFERT. Job xvi.—My prayer is pure, therefore I desire it may be heard in heaven: for there is my Judge, and he that knoweth my heart is on high: let my prayer ascend to the Lord.

SECRET. Favourably receive our offerings, O Lord, and by the intercession of blessed Lawrence, thy martyr, loosen the bonds of our sins. Thro'.

COMM.—Let him who serveth me, follow me:

and where I am, there also shall my servant be.

P. COMM. Da quæsumus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, our God, that as we rejoice on he feasts of thy saints in this life, so we may enjoy their sight for ever in that which is to come. Thro'.

X. St. LAWRENCE, m.

INTROIT. Ps. xcv.—Praise and beauty are before him: holiness and majesty in his sanctuary Ps. Sing ye to the Lord a new canticle: sing to the

Lord all the earth. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Da nobis.—Enable us, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, to extinguish in ourselves the noxious heat of sin, by whose grace blessed Lawrence triumphed over flames and the most exquisite torments. Thro:

EPISTLE. 2 Cor. ix. 6. 10.—Brethren: He who soweth sparingly, shall also reap sparingly: and he who soweth in blessings, shall also reap of blessings. Every one as he hath determined in his heart, not with sadness, or of necessity. For God loveth a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound in you: that ye always having all sufficiency in all things may abound to every good work.—As it is written: He hath dispersed abroad, he hath given to the poor: his justice remaineth for ever. And he that ministereth seed to the sower, will both give you bread to eat and will multiply your seed, and increase the growth of the fruits of your justice.

GRAD. Ps. xvi.—Thou hast proved my heart, O Lord, and visited it by night. V. Thou hast tried me by fire; and iniquity hath not been found in me. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Lawrence the Deacon wrought a good work; who by the sign of the cross gave sight to the blind. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. John xii. 24. 26.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: Amen, amen, I say to you, unless the grain of wheat falling into the ground, die, itself remaineth alone. But if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit. He that loveth his life, shall lose it: and he that hateth his life in this world, keepeth it unto life eternal. If any man minister unto me, let him follow me: and where I am, there also shall my minister be. If any man minister to me, him will my Father honour.

OFFERT. Ps. xcv.—Praise and beauty are before his sight: holiness and majesty in his sanctuary.

SECRET.—Graciously receive our offerings, we beseech thee, O Lord; and in consideration of the merits and prayers of blessed Lawrence, grant they may aid us to salvation. Thro'.

COMM. John xii.—If any man minister to me, let him follow me: and where I am, there also shall

my minister be.

P. COMM. Sacro. — Being nourished by thy sacred gifts, we beseech thee, O Lord, that what we perform according to our bounden duty, we may sensibly perceive to advance our salvation, by the intercession of blessed Lawrence: thy martyr. Thro'

XI. Commem. of SS. TIBURTIUS, &c. mm.

COLLECT. Sanctorum.—May we always find comfort, O Lord, in the continual protection of thy holy martyrs, Tiburtius and Susanna: for we trust thou wilt ever regard those with an eye of mercy, whom thou favourest with such succours. Thro'.

SECRET.—Favourably, O Lord, receive the offerings and prayers of thy people, that the oblation of the sacred mysterics may be acceptable to thee,

by the intercession of thy saints. Thro'.

P. COMM. Sumpsimus.—Grant, O Lord, that the pledge of eternal redemption which we have received, may procure for us, by the intercession of thy holy martyrs, the succours necessary for this life and that to come. Thro'.

XIII. Commem. of SS. HYPPOLITE, &c. mm

COLLECT. Da, quæsumus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that the sacred solemnity of thy holy martyrs, Hyppolite and Cassian, may be to us an increase of devotion and a help to salvation Thro.

SECRET.—Receive, O Lord, our offerings on this festival of thy saints: and may their bearing witness of thy truth advance our salvation. Thro.

P. COMM. Sacramentorum.—Let the participation of thy sacraments, O Lord, save us: and confirm us in the light of thy truth. Thro'.

XIV. VIGIL of the ASSUMPTION.

INTROIT, Vultum tuum, p. 499.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who hast pleased to make choice of the Virgin Mary, and in her to dwell for a time, grant, we beseech thee, that being secure under her protection, we may with comfort solemnize her festival. Who livest.

Collect, &c. of St. Lawrence, as on his Feast, p. 639. Collect, &c. of St. Eusebius, as in Mass XIII. p. 488.

LESSON. Eccles. xxiv. 23.—As the vine I have brought forth a pleasant odour: and my flowers are the fruit of honour and riches. I am the mother of fair love, and of fear, and of knowledge, and of holy hope. In me is all grace of the way and of the truth. In me is all hope of life and of virtue. Come over to me, all ye that desire me, and be filled with my fruits. For my spirit is sweet above honey, and my inheritance above honey and the honey-comb. My memory is unto everlasting generations. They that eat me, shall yet hunger; and they that drink me, shall yet thirst. He that hearkeneth to me, shall not be confounded: and they that work by me, shall not sin. They that explain me, shall have life everlasting.

GRAD.—Thou art blessed, to Allel. as in p. 507.

GOSPEL. Luke xi. as in p. 508.

OFFERT.—Blessed art thou, &c. as in p. 508.

SECRET.—May the prayers, O Lord, of the Mother of God render our offerings acceptable to thee, whom thou didst take out of this present world,

that she might intercede with thee for the pardon of our sins. Thro'.

COMM.—Blessed is the womb of Mary the virgin.

which bore the Son of the eternal Father.

P. COMM. Concede.—Assist, O merciful God, our frailty; that we who are preparing to celebrate the festival of the holy Mother of God, may by the succour of her prayers, rise from our iniquities. Thro'.

XV. ASSUMPTION of the B. V. M. INTROIT.

ET us all rejoice in celebrate this festival in honour of the B. V. M. for whose Assumption the angels rejoice, and praise the Son of God.

Ps. My heart hath uttered a good word: I speak my works to the

V. Glory.

CAUDEAMUS omnes 🗷 in Domino, diem festum celebrantes, sub honore beatæ Mariæ, Virginis, de cujus Assumptione gaudent angeli, et collaudant Filium Dei.

Ps. Eructavit cor meum verbum bonum : dico ego opera mea Regi.

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Famulorum.—Forgive, O Lord, we peseech thee, the sins of thy people: that we, who are not able to do any thing of ourselves that can be pleasing to thee, may be assisted in the way of salvation by the prayers of the Mother of thy Son. Thro'. the same.

LESSON. Ecales. xxiv. 11. 20.—I sought rest every where, and I shall abide in the inheritance of the Lord. Then the Creator of all things gave his orders. and said to me: and he that made me, rested in my tabernacle, and he said to me: Let thy dwelling be in Jacob, and thy inheritance in Israel, and take root in my elect. From the beginning, and before the world was I created, and unto the world to come I

shall not cease to be, and in the holy dwelling place I have ministered before him. And I was so established in Sion, and in the holy city likewise I rested, and my power was in Jerusalem. And I took root in an honourable people, and in the portion of my God his inheritance, and my abode is in the full assembly of saints. I was exalted like a cedar in Libanus, and as a cypress tree on mount Sion. I was exalted like a palm tree in Cades, and as a rose plant in Jericho: as a fair olive tree in the plains, and as a plane tree by the water in the streets, was I exalted. I gave a sweet smell like cinnamon, and aromatical balm: like the myrrh I yielded a sweet odour.

GRAD. Ps. xliv.—Because of thy truth and meekness, and justice, and thy right hand shall conduct thee wonderfully. V. Hear, O daughter, and see and be attentive: for the king is taken with thy beauty. Alleluia. V. Assumpta est Maria in calum, gaudet exercitus angelorum. Alleluia. V. Mary is taken up into heaven, and all the host of angels are

in joy. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Luke x. 38. 42.—At that time: Jesus entered into a certain town; and a certain woman named Martha, received him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary. Who sitting also at the Lord's feet, heard his word. But Martha was busy about much serving. Who stood and said: Lord, hast thou no care that my sister hath left me alone to serve? Speak to her therefore, that she help me. And the Lord answering, said to her: Martha, Martha, thou art careful, and art troubled about many things. But one thing is necessary. Mary hath chosen the best part, which shall not be taken from her. Credo.

OFFERT.—Mary is taken up into heaven, the angels rejoice, and join in the praises of the Lord.

-Melvia.

SECRET.—May the prayer, O Lord, of the Mother of God assist thy people: that we may experience her intercession for us in thy heavenly glory, whom we know departed this life to satisfy the condition of our mortality. Thro'.

COMM. Lake x.-Mary has chosen the best part,

which shall not be taken from her for ever.

P. COMM. Mensæ.—Having partaken of thy heavenly table, we humbly beseech thy clemency, O Lord our God, that we who honour the Assumption of the Mother of God, may by her intercession, be delivered from all evils. Thro.

SUNDAY within the OCTAVE. St. JOACHIM, c. INTROIT. Ps. cxi.

HE hath distributed, he hath given to the poor: his justice remaineth for ever and ever: his horn shall be exalted in glory. Ps. Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord: he shall delight exceedingly in his commandments.

DISPERSIT, dedit pauperibus: justitia ejus manet in sæculum sæculi: cornu ejus exaltabitur in gloria.

Ps. Beatus vir qui timet Dominum: in mandatis ejus cupit nimis.

V. Gloria.

V. Glory.
COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who amongst all thy saints, didst choose blessed Joachim to be the father of her who bore thy Son: grant we beseach thee, that we may be sensible of his protection, whose festival we celebrate. Thro'.

Collect, &c. of the Sunday, and then of the As-

sumption, p. 642.

LESSON, Eccles. xxxi. as in p. 488.

GRAD. Ps. cxi.—He hath distributed, he hath given to the poor: his justice remaineth for ever and ever. V. His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the righteous shall be blessed. Allel Allel. V. O Joachim, sancte conjuge Annæ, pates

alma virginis, hic famulis confer salutis open. V. O Joachim, holy husband of Anne, father of the holy Virgin, obtain for us in this life what is necessary for our salvation.

GOSPEL. Matt. i. as on the 8th of Dec. p. 530. OFFERT. Ps. viii. — Thou hast crowned him, O Lord, with glory and honour, and hast set him

over the works of thy hands.

SECRET.—Favourably receive, O most merciful God, the sacrifice offered to thy Majesty in honour of the boly patriarch Joachim, father of the Virgin Mary: that by the intercession of him, of his spouse, and of their blessed daughter, we may obtain pardon of all our sins, and eternal glory. Thro'.

COMM.—This is the faithful and prudent servant, whom the Lord hath placed over his family, to give

them their measure of wheat in due season.

P. COMM. Quasumus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, by the merits and prayers of blessed Joachim, the father of her who bore thy beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, that the sacrament which we have received may make us worthy of being assisted by thy grace in this life, and of partaking of eternal glory in the world to come. Thro'.

The Gospel of the Sunday is read at the end of Mass.

XVIL OCTAVE of St. LAWRENCE, m.

INTROIT. Ps. xvi.—Thou hast proved my heart, O Lord, and visited it by night: thou hast tried me by fire, and iniquity hath not been found in me. Ps. Hear, O Lord, my justice: attend to my supplication. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Excita.—Raise up, O Lord, in thy church, that spirit which blessed Lawrence obeyed that being filled with the same, we may zealously love what he loved, and practice what he taught.

Thro'.-in unity of the same.

Collect, &c. of the Assumption, p. 642.

EPISTLE, 2 Cor. xi. as on the Feast, p. 639. GRAD. Ps. viii.—Thou hast crowned him with • glory and honour, O Lord. V. And thou hast set him over the works of thy hands. Allel. Allel. V. Lawrence the Deacon, wrought a good work, who by the sign of the cross gave sight to the blind. Allel.

GOSPEL. John xii. as on the Feast, p. 639.

OFFERT. Ps. xx. as in p. 491. SECRET.—We be eech thee, O Lord, that the holy prayers and merits of blessed Lawrence, may render our sacrifice well pleasing to thee, to whom we solemnly offer it in his honour. Thro'.

PREFACE, of the blessed virgin Mary, p. xxxii.

COMM. Matt. xvi.-Let him who would come after me, deny himself, take up his cross, and follow

P. COMM. Supplices.—We humbly beseech thee, O Almighty God, by the intercession of blessed Lawrence, thy martyr, ever to keep under thy protection those who have partaken of thy heavenly gifts. Thro'.

XVIII. Commem. of St. AGAPETE, m.

COLLECT. Lætetur .- May thy church rejoice, O God, under the protection of blessed Agapete, thy martyr, and by the assistance of his prayers increase in devotion, and be secured against all adversities. Thro'.

SECRET.—Receive, O Lord, the present we offer thee on his feast, by whose intercession we hope to

be delivered.

P. COMM. Satiasti.—Thou hast fed, O Lord, thy family with these sacred oblations: ever therefore, comfort us with his intercession whose feast we celebrate. Thro'.

XXI. St. JANE FRANCES, w. All as in Mass XXI. p. 502, except COLLECT. Omnipotens.—O Almighty and mer ciful God, who hast granted blessed Jane Frances, inflamed with the love of thee, a wonderful degree of fortitude through all the paths of life, and wast pleased through her, to adorn thy church with a new offspring: grant, by her merits and prayers, that we who, sensible of our weakness, confide in thy strength, may overcome all adversities with the help of thy heavenly grace. Thro'.

Commem. of the Assumption, p. 642.

SECRET.—May these offerings, we beseech thee O Lord, enkindle in us the fire of thy love, which burned so vehemently in the heart of blessed Frances, and consumed it with the flames of everlasting charity. Thro'.

P. COMM. Spiritum.—Infuse into us, O Lord, the spirit of thy love, that by the prayers of blessed Jane Frances, thou wouldst cause those whom thou hast fed with the bread of heaven to despise whatever is earthly, and follow thee with pure minds. Thro'.

XXII. OCTAVE of the ASSUMPTION.

All as on the Feast, p. 642, with the following Commenn. of SS. Timothy, &c. mm.

COLLECT. Auxilium.—Help us, O Lord, in thy mercy, and, by the intercession of thy martyrs, Tymothy, Hyppolite and Symphorian, shelter us un der the protection of thy goodness. Thro'.

SECRET.—May the offerings, O Lord, of thy devout people be acceptable to thee in honour of thy saints, by whose merits they have experienced help

in their afflictions. Thro'.

P. COMM. Divini muneris.—Being abundantly fed with thy divine gifts, we beseech thee, O Lord our God, that, by the intercession of thy blessed martyrs, we may obtain eternal life, by partaking thereof. Thro'.

XXIII. St. PHILIP BENITIUS, c.

Al. as in Mass XIV. p. 489, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who in blessed Philip, thy confessor, has left us an example of humility: grant that, in imitation of him, we may despise the prosperity of this world, and have our hearts always fixed on the happiness of the next. Thro'

XXIV. St. BARTHOLOMEW, ap.

INTROIT, Mihi autem, as in p. 524.

COLLECT. Omnipotens.—O Almighty and eternal God, who comfortest thy people by the sacred and venerable solemnity of thy blessed apostle Bartholomew: grant, we beseech thee, that we may love what he believed, and practise what he taught. Thro!

EPISTLE. 1 Cor. xii. 27. 31.—Brethren: You are the body of Christ, and members of a member. And God indeed hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondly prophets, thirdly doctors, after that iniracles, then the graces of healings, helps, governments, kinds of tongues, interpretations of speeches. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all doctors? Are all workers of miracles? Have all the grace of healing? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? But be ye zeaious for the better gifts.

GRAD. as on the Feast of St. Andrew, p. 524.

Alleluia, Alleluia. V. The glorious choir of apos-

tles bless thee, O Lord. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Luke vi. 12. 19.—At that time: Jesus went out into a mountain to pray, and he passed the whole night in the prayer of God. And when day was come, he called unto him his disciples: and he chose twelve of them (who malso he named Apostles): Simon whom he surnamed Peter, and Andrew his brother, James and John, Philip and Bartholomew, Matthew and Thomas, James the son of Alpheus, and

Simon who is called Zelotes, and Jude the brother of James and Judas Iscariot who was the traitor. And coming down with them, he stood in a plain place, and the company of his disciples, and a very great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem, and the sea-coast of Tyre and Sidon, who were come to hear him, and to be healed of their diseases. And they that were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all the multitude sought to touch him, for virtue went out from him, and healed all. Credo.

OFFERT. Ps. cxxxviii.—To me, thy friends, O God are made exceedingly honourable: their princi-

pality is exceedingly strengthened.

SECRET.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that as we celebrate the festival of thy apostle Bartholomew, we may be partakers of thy benefits, by his intercession, in whose honour we offer thee this sacrifice of praise. Thro'.

COMM. Matt. xix.—You, who have followed me, shall sit on seats, judging the twelve tribes of

Israel, saith the Lord.

P. COMM. Sumptum.—Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, that the pledge of our eternal redemption, which we have received, may, by the intercession of thy apostle Bartholomew, procure for us the necessary assistance for this life, and for that which is to come. Thro?

XXV. St. LEWIS, King and c. .

All as in Mass XIII. p. 488, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who removedst blessed Lewis thy confessor, from an earthly kingdom to the glory of an heavenly crown: grant, we beseech thee, by his virtues and prayers, that we may be received into the company of the King of kings, Jesus Christ thy only Son. Who.

Lesson, Wisd. x. as in p. 466. and Grad. Ps. xci. as in p. 488.

GOSPEL. Luke xix. 12. 26.—At that time Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: A certain nobleman went into a far country, to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return. And calling his ten servants, he gave them ten pounds, and said to them: Trade till I come. But his citizens hated him: and they sent an embassage after him, saying: We will not have this man to reign over us. And it came to pass that he returned, having received the kingdom: and he commanded his servants to be called, to whom he had given the money: that he might know how much every man had gained by trading. And the first came, saying: Lord, thy pound hath gained ten pounds. And he said to him: Well done, thou good servant, because thou hast been faithful in a little, thou shalt have power over ten cities. And the second came, saying: Lord, thy pound hath gained five pounds. And he said to him: Be thou also over five cities. And another came, saying: Lord, behold here is thy pound, which I have kept laid up in a napkin: for I feared thee, because thou art an austere man: thou takest up what thou didst not lay down, and thou reapest that which thou didst not sow. He saith to him: Out of thy own mouth I judge thee, thou wicked servant. Thou knewest that I was an austere man, taking up what I laid not down, and reaping that which I did not sow: and why then didst thou not give my money into the bank, that at my coming 1 might have exacted it with usury? And he said to them that stood by: Take the pound away from him, and give it to him that hath the ten pounds. And they said to him: Lord, he hath ten pounds. But I say to you, that to every one that hath shall be given, and he shall abound: and from him that hath not, even that which he hath shall be taken from him.

OFFERT. Ps. lxxxviii.—My truth and my mercy

shall be with him, and in my name shall his horn be exalted.

SECRET.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that as thy Confessor, blessed Lewis, despising all the delights of the world, studied only to please Christ his King; so also his prayers may render us acceptable to thee. Thro'.

P. COMM. Deus, qui.—O God, who didst render blessed Lewis, thy Confessor, illustrious on earth, and now glorious in heaven: appoint him, we beseech thee, the defender of thy church. Thro'.

XXVI. St. ZEPHYRINE, p. m.

All as in Mass II. p. 464, except

COLLECT. Præsta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that as we rejoice in the merits of blessed Zephyrine, thy martyr and bp. we may receive benefits from his example. Thro'.

XXVII. St. JOSEPH CALASANCTIUS, c.

INTROIT.—Come, children, hearken to me: I will teach you the fear of the Lord. Ps. I will bless the Lord at all times: his praise shall be always in

my mouth. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who, by blessed Joseph, didst provide for thy church new helps by the instruction of youth in the spirit of understanding and piety: grant, we beseech thee, that by his example and intercession, we may both so act and teach, as to obtain an eternal reward. Thro'.

LESSON. Wisd. x. as in p. 466. GRAD. Ps. xxxvi. as in p. 490.

GOSPEL. Matt. as on the 29th Sept. to*, p. 667. OFFERT.—The Lord hears the prayers of the poor ones: he directs their hearts, and his ear is bent on them.

SECRET.—We lay on thy altar, O Lord, the

offerings we have made unto thee, that they may become a means of propitiation unto us, by the intercession of him, whose patronage thou hast been pleased to grant us. Thro.

COMM.—Suffer little ones to come unto me, and hinder them not: for to such belongs the kingdom

of heaven.

P. COMM. Sanctificati.—Being sanctified, O Lord, by this saving mystery, we beseech thee, that, by the intercession of blessed Joseph, thy Confessor, we may ever increase in piety. Thro'.

XXVIII. St. AUGUSTIN, bp. c. D.

All as in Mass XII. p. 485, except

COLLECT. Adesto.—Give ear, O Lord, to our prayers, and by the intercession of blessed Augustin, thy conf. and bp. favourably bestow the effects of thy accustomed mercy on us, to whom thou hast given reason to trust in thy goodness. Thro'.

COLL. (Of St. Hermes.) Deus, qui.—O God, who gavest blessed Hermes, thy martyr, strength and constancy in his sufferings: grant, by his example, that for thy love we may despise whatever this world estuems great, and dread none of its terrors. Thro.

GRAD. to Alleluia, as in p. 486.

V. I have found David, my servant: with my holy

oil I have anointed him. Alleluia.

SECRET. (Of St. Hermes.)—We offer thee, O Lord, the sacrifice of praise in commemoration of thy saints: grant, therefore, we beseech thee, that what hath procured glory for them may avail to our salvation. Thro'.

P. COMM. (Of St. Hermes.)—Being fed with thy heavenly food, O Lord, we beseech tny clemency, that by the prayers of blessed Hermes, thy martyr we may partake of the salutary effects of the mysteries which we celebrate with humility. Thro'.

XXIX. DECOLLATION of St. J. BAPTIST.

INTROIT. Ps. cxviii. as in p. 493, to

Ps. It is good to praise the Lord, and to sing to

thy name, O thou the Most High! V. Glory.

COLLECT. Sancti Joannis.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that the venerable solemnity of blessed John the Baptist, thy precursor and martyr, may procure us the effects of thy saving aid. Who livest.

Collect, &c. of St. Sabina, as in p. 493.

LESSON. Jer. i. 17. 19.—In those days: The word of the Lord came to me saying: Gird up thy loins and arise, and speak to them all that I command thee. Be not afraid at their presence: for I will make thee not to fear their countenance. For behold I have made thee this day a fortified city, and a pillar of iron, and a wall of brass, over all the land, to the kings of Juda, to the princes thereof, and to the priests, and to the people of the land. And they shall fight against thee, and shall not prevail: and I am with thee, saith the Lord, to deliver thee.

GRAD. to Alleluia, as in Mass XII. p. 486.— V. The righteous man shall bud forth like a lily: and

flourish for ever before the Lord. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Mark vi. 17, 29.—At that time · Herod sent and apprehended John, and bound him in prison for the sake of Herodias the wife of Philip his brother, because he had married her. For John said to Herod: It is not lawful for thee to have thy brother's wife. Now Herodias laid snares for him: and was desirous to put him to death, and could not. For Herod feared John, knowing him to be a just and holy man: and kept him, and when he heard him, he did many things: and he heard him willingly. And when a convenient day was come, Herod made a supper for his birth day, for the princes, and

tribunes, and chief men of Galilee. And when the daughter of the same Herodias had come in, and had danced, and pleased Herod, and them that were at table with him, the king said to the damsel: Ask of me what thou wilt, and I will give it thee. And he swore to her: Whatsoever thou shalt ask, I will give thee, though it be the half of my kingdom. Who when she was gone out, said to her mother: What shall I ask? But she said: the head of John the Baptist. And when she was come in immediately with haste to the king, she asked, saying: I will that forthwith thou give me in a dish the head of John the Baptist. And the king was struck sad; yet because of his oath, and because of them that were with him at table, he would not displease her: but sending an executioner, he commanded that his head should be brought in a dish. And he beheaded him in the prison, and brought his head in a dish; and gave it to the damsel, and the damsel gave it to her mother. Which his disciples hearing, came, and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

OFFERT.—In thy strength, O Lord, the just shall joy: and in thy salvation he shall rejoice exceeding-

ly: thou hast given him his heart's desire.

SECRET.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that the offerings we bring on this festival of thy martyr blessed John the Baptist, may, by his intercession,

procure for us salvation.

P. COMM. Conferat.—May the solemnity of holy John the Baptist enable us, O Lord, both to venerate what these august mysteries signify and to find the effects thereof in ourselves. Thro'.

XXX. St. ROSE of LIMA.

All as in Mass XIX. p. 498, except

COLLECT. Bonorum.—O Almighty God, the giver of all good gifts, who wast pleased that blessed

Rose, abundantly favoured with the dew of heavenly grace, should beautify the Indies with her purity and patience: grant that we thy servants, following the perfume of her virtues, may become an agreeable odour to Christ. Thro'.

COLLECT, &c. of St. Felix. Majestatem.—We humbly beseech thy Majesty, O Lord, that as in celebrating the festivals of the saints, thou fillest us with new joys: so thou wouldest vouchsafe to protect us by their prayers. Thro'.

SECRET. (Of ib.)—Favourably regard, O Lord, the offerings of thy people, and make them sensible of the salutary effects of what they celebrate with a

devout mind in honour of thy saints. Thro'.

P. COMM. Repleti. (Of ib.)—Being fed, O Lord, with thy heavenly gifts, we beseech thee, by the intercession of thy saints, that we may always remain thankful. Thro'.

September 1. St. RAYMOND NONNATUS, c.

All as in Mass XIII. p. 488, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who didst make blessed Raymond, thy confessor, wonderfully eminent by redeeming the faithful out of captivity: grant, by his prayers, that being freed from the bonds of sin, we may cheerfully perform what is most pleasing to thee. Thro'.

II. St. STEPHEN, King and c.

All as in Mass XIII. p. 488, except

COLLECT. Concede.—Grant to thy church, Almighty God, that as blessed Stephen, thy confessor, while he reigned on earth, enlarged her bounds, so being now glorious in heaven, he may be her protector. Thro'.

GOSPEL. Luke xix. as on the 25th Aug. p. 650.

SECRET.—Favourably look down, O Almighty God, on our offerings, and grant, that as we celebrate the mysteries of our Lord's passion, we may imitate what we perform. Thro'.

P. COMM. Præsta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we may with suitable devotion imitate the faith of thy confessor, blessed Stephen: who, by the propagation of the same faith, merited to pass from an earthly kingdom to the glory of an heavenly one. Thro'.

VIII. NATIVITY of the B. V. M. as p. 529.

Should the following festival (which occurs on the SUNDAY within the OCTAVE of the preceding) fall on the XIV. it is transferred to the next vacant day; but if on the XV. then the ensuing Mass is said without any Commem. of the Octave-day.

FEAST of the NAME of the B. V. MARY.

INTROIT:—Vultum tuum, as in p. 499. COLLECT. Concede.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that thy faithful, who rejoice under the name and protection of the most blessed Virgin Mary, may, by her pious intercession, be delivered from all evils here on earth, and be brought to the eternal joys of heaven. Thro'.

COLLECT, &c. of the Sunday after Pentecost.

LESSON. Eccles. xxiv. 23. 31.—As the vine I have brought forth a pleasant odour: and my flowers are the fruit of honour and riches. I am the mother of fair love, and of fear, and of knowledge, and of holy hope. In me is all grace of the way and of the truth, in me is all hope of life and of virtue. Come over to me, all ye that desire me, and be filled with my fruits. For my spirit is sweet above honey, and my inheritance above honey and the honeycomb. My memory is unto everlasting generations

They that eat me shall yet hunger: and they that drink me shall yet thirst. He that hearkeneth to me, shall not be confounded: and they that work by me, shall not sin. They that explain me, shall have life everlasting.

GRAD.—Thou art blessed, and worthy of our respects, O Mary, the Virgin, who without prejudice to thy virginity, didst become the Mother of the Saviour. V. O Virgin Mother of God! he became man, and was shut up in thy womb, whom the whole world cannot contain. Alleluia, Alleluia.

V. Post partum Virgo inviolata permansisti: Dei genitrix, intercede pro nobis. V. After child-birth thou didst remain a pure Virgin: O Mother of God,

intercede for us. Alleluia.

GOSPEL.—Luke i. as on the 25th March, p. 565, Offertory Secret, Comm. and P. Comm. as in the Votive Mass, p. 507. At the end of Mass is read the Gospel of the Sunday.

IX. COMMEM. of St.—GORGONIUS, m. COLLECT. Sanctus.— May the intercession, O Lord. of blessed Gorgonius, thy martyr, bring comfort to thy people; and fill them with spiritual joy on this his sacred festival. Thro'.

SECRET.—May the offerings of us thy servants, O Lord, be acceptable to thee, by the intercession of

blessed Gorgonius, thy martyr.

P. COMM. Familiam.—Grant, O God, that thy servants may taste and be fed with eternal joys: and by the example of thy martyr Gorgonius, be continually replenished with the good odour of thy Son Christ. Who liveth.

COLLECT. Beatorum.—We beseech thee. O Lord, that the constancy of thy holy martyrs, Protus and Hyacinth, may be an encouragement to us in

[.] XI. COMMEM. of SS. PROTUS, &c. min.

our sufferings; and that, by their prayers, we may

find a continual protection. Thro'.

SECRET.—We offer thee, O Lord, in memory of thy holy martyrs, Protus and Hyacinth, the gifts which are due to thee: grant, we beseech thee, that we may thereby receive the assistance necessary for eternal life.

P. COMM. Ut percepta.—grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, by the intercession of thy holy martyrs, Protus and Hyacinth, that thy holy mysteries

which we have received, may purify us.

XIV. EXALTATION of the H. CROSS. INTROIT.—Nos autem, as in p. 271.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—Q God, who this day fillest thy people with joy, by the yearly solemnity of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross: grant, we beseech thee, that as we believe the sacred mystery of our redemption in this mortal life, so we may feel the effects thereof in the life to come. Thro?

COLLECT, Famulis, &c. of the Nativity, p. 529. Epistle, Phil. ii. 5. as on the 3d of May, p. 577.

GRAD. as on Maundy-Thursday, p. 272.

V. Alleluia, Alleluia. Sweet nails, sweet wood, that hore so sweet a burden: thou alone wast worthy to bear the King, the Lord of Heaven. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. John xii. 31. 36.—At that time: Jesus said to the multitude of the Jews: Now is the judgment of the world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out. And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all things to myself. (Now this he said signifying what death he should die.) The multitude answered him: we have heard out of the law, that Christ abideth for ever: and how sayest thou: The Son of man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man? Jesus therefore said to them: Yet a little while, the light is among you. Walk whilst you have the light, that the darkness

overtake you not. And he that walketh in darkness knoweth not whither he goeth. Whilst you have the light, believe in the light, that you may be the children of light. CREDO.

OFFERT.—Defend, O Lord, thy people, by the sign of the Gross, from the snares of their enemies: that we may do thee laudable service, and our sacri-

fice may be acceptable. Alleluia.

SECRET.—Being about to be nourished by the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the standard of the Cross was blessed: we beseech thee, O Lord our God, that we may eternally enjoy the salutary effects of that precious Cross, which we have the happiness to reverence. Thro'.

PREFACE.—Qui salutem, p. xxx.

COMM.—By the sign of the Cross, deliver us, O

God, from all our enemies.

P. COMM. Adesto.—Assist us, O Lord our God, and by virtue of the Holy Cross, defend those from all danger whom thou causest, with joy, to render it the honour it deserves. Thro'.

XV. OCTAVE of the NATIVITY of B. M. V.

All as on the Conception, p. 529, with the following Commem. of St. Nicomedes.

COLLECT. Adesto.—Be merciful, O Lord, to thy pecple, that being improved by the singular virtues of blessed Nicomedes thy martyr, they may have the continual assistance of his prayers, for the obtaining thy mercy. Thro'.

SECRET.—Favourably receive, O Lord, the gifts we offer, and may the prayers of blessed Nicomedes, thy martyr, render them agreeable to thee. Thro'

P. COMM. Purificent.—May the mysteries, which we have received purify us, O Lord; and, by the intercession of blessed Nicomedes, thy martyr, deliver us from all our sins. Thro'.

XVI. SS. CORNELIUS and CYPRIAN, mm.

All as in Mass VII. p. 475, with a Commern. of SS. Euphemia, &c. mm.

COLLECT. Prasta.—Grant, O Lord, we may with joy receive the effects of our prayers, so as happily to imitate the holy martyrs, Euphemia, Lucia, and Geminianus, in the constant profession of their faith, whose sufferings we honour with a yearly devotion. Thro?

SECRET. (Of the same.)—Mercifully look down, O Lord, we beseech thee, on the offerings of thy people, and grant that we may enjoy their suffrages, whose feast thou grantest us to celebrate. Thro'.

P. COMM. Exaudia. (Of the same.)—Hear, C Lord, our prayers, and grant that we may be continually defended by the assistance of thy holy martyrs, Euphemia, Lucia, and Geminianus, whose festival we celebrate. Thro?

XVII. The STIGMAS of St. FRANCIS.

All as on the 14th October, p. 670, except COLLECT. Domine Jesu.—O Lord Jesus Christ, who, for the inflaming our cold and tepid souls with the fire of thy love, was pleased to renew the sacred marks of thy passion in the flesh of blessed Francis: mercifully grant, through his virtues and prayers, that we may always bear thy cross with patience, and bring forth worthy fruits of penance. Who livest.

GOSPEL. Matt. xxiv. as in p. 485.

P. COMM. Deus, qui.—O God, who hast many ways demonstrated the wonderful mysteries of the cross in blessed Francis thy Confessor: grant, we beseech thee, that we may always imitate the examples of his devotion, and be fortified by continual meditation on the same cross. Thro'.

XVIII. St. JOSEPH a Cupertine, c.

INTROIT. Eccles. i.—The love of God is honourable wisdom, and they to whom she shall shew herself, love her by the sight and by the knowledge of her great works. Ps. How lovely are thy tabernacles, O Lord of Hosts! My soul longeth and fainteth for the courts of the Lord. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who wast pleased to draw all things to thy only begotten Son, when raised on high: mercifully grant that, by the merits and example of thy seraphic confessor, Joseph, being raised above all earthly desires, we may arrive

at him. Who liveth.

EPISTLE, 1 Cor. xiii. as in p. 111.

GRAD. Ps. xx.—Thou hast prevented him, O Lord, with blessings of sweetness; thou hast set on his head a crown of precious stones. V. He asked life of thee, and thou hast given him length of days for ever and ever. Allel. Allel. V. The eye of the Lord looked kindly on him: he lifted him from his humble state, and raised up his head. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. xxii. as in p. 446.

OFFERT. Ps. xxxiv.—But when they were trou blesome to me I was clothed with haircloth. I humbled my soul with fasting: and my prayer shall be turned into my bosom.

SECRET.--We offer thee, O Lord, in honour of thy saints, a sacrifice of praise, by which we hope to be delivered from all present and future evils. Thro'.

COMM. Ps.—I am poor and sorrowful: thy salvation, O God, hath set me up: I will praise the name of God with a canticle: and I will magnify him in praise.

P. COMM. Refecti, as in p. 489.

XX. SS. EUSTACHIUS and Companions, mm.

All as in Mass VIII. p. 477, with a Commem. of St.

Matthew by the Collect of the Vigil of an Apostle,
p. 463, and the following Gospel at the end of Mass

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GOSPEL. Luke v. 27. 32.—At that time: Jesus saw a publican named Levi, sitting at the receipt of custom, and he said to him: Follow me. And leaving all things he rose up and followed him. And Levi made him a great feast in his own house: and there was a great company of publicans and of others, that were at table with them. But the Pharisees and Scribes murnured, saying to his disciples: Why do you eat and drink with publicans and sinners? And Jesus answering, said to them: They that are wnole need not the physician; but they that are sick. I came not to call the just, but sinners to penance.

XXI. St. MATTHEW, ap. and Evangelist.

INTROIT, Os justi, as in p. 488.

COLLECT. Beati Apostoli.—Grant, O Lord, we may be aided by the prayers of blessed Matthew, the apostle and evangelist: that what we cannot obtain by our own weakness, may be granted us by his intercession. Thro'.

LESSON, Ezek. i. as on St. Mark's Day, p. 572. GRAD. Ps. cxi.—Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord, he shall delight exceedingly in his com-

mandments. V. His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the righteous shall be blessed. Allelwia, Allelwia. V. The glorious choir of

apostles praise thee, O Lord. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. ix. 9. 13.—At that time: Jesus saw a man sitting in the custom-house, named Matthew; and he said to him: Follow me. And he arose up, and followed him. And it came to pass as he was sitting at meat in the house, behold many publicans and sinners came, and sat down with Jesus and his disciples. And the Pharisees seeing it, said to his disciples: Why doth your master eat with publicans and sinners? But Jesus hearing it, said: They that are in health, need not a physician, but

they that are ill. Go then and learn what this meaneth. I will have mercy, and not sacrifice. For I am not come to call the just, but sinners. CREDO.

OFFERT.-Thou hath set on his head a crown of precious stones: he asked life of thee, and thou didst

grant it unto him. Alleluia.

SECRET.—May the offerings of thy Church, we beseech thee O Lord, be rendered agreeable to thee by the prayers of blessed Matthew, thy apostle and evangelist, by whose excellent preaching she is instructed. Thro?

COMM. Ps. xx.—His glory is great in thy salvation: glory and great beauty shalt thou lay upon

him, O Lord.

P. COMM. Perceptis.— Having received these holy mysteries, we beseech thee, O Lord, by the intercession of the blessed apostle and evangelist Matthew, that what we have celebrated in thanksgiving for the glory bestowed on him, may be a remedy to us. Thro'.

XXII. St. THOMAS of Villa Nova, bp. c.

All as in Mass X. * p. 482, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, by whose gifts the blessed bishop Thomas became eminent for his charity towards the poor: we beseech thee by his intercession plentifully to pour forth the riches of thy mercy on all those who call upon thee. Thro'.

COLLECT of SS. Maurice, &c. (Annue.)—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that the festival of thy holy martyrs, Maurice and his Companions, may bring joy to our souls; that confiding in their prayers we may rejoice on their feast. Thro'.

SECRET of the same.—Look down, we beseech thee, O Lord, on the offerings we make in memory of thy holy martyrs, Maurice and his Companions, and grant that we may be ever partakers of the fruit thereof by their intercession, in honour of whom they

are acceptable to thee. Thro'.

P. COMM. of the same. (Calestibus.)—Being refreshed by these heavenly and joyful mysteries, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord, that we may enjoy their protection, in whose triumphs we glory. Thro.

XXIII. St. LINUS, p. m.

All as in Mass I. p. 461, except

COLLECT. (Deus, qui, nos), with its Secret and P. Comm. as in Mass II. p. 464.

COLLECT. of St. Thecla. (Da quæsumus.)—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we who celebrate the passion of blessed Thecla, thy virgin and martyr may find joy on this her yearly solemnity, and be improved by the example of so great a faith. Thro'. Secret, (Receive,) and P. Comm. (Auxilientur,) of St. Thecla, as in p. 495.

XXIV. B. V. MARY of Mercy.

All as in the Votive Mass, Salve, p. 507, except COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who by the most glorious Mother of thy Son, wast pleased to appoint a new order in thy Church for delivering the faithful out of the hands of infidels: grant, we beseech thee, that we also may be delivered from the slavery of the devil, by her merits and prayers whom we devoutly honour in the institution of so charitable a work Thro?

XXVI. SS. CYPRIAN and JUSTINA, mm. All as in Mass IX. p. 479, except

COLLECT. Beaterum.—May these, thy holy martyrs Cyprian and Justina, O Lord, be a continual protection to us, for thou wilt never let thy mercy be wanting to those, whom thou favourest with such

assistance. Thro'.

Secret, (We bring) and P. Comm. (Præsta.) p. 479.

XXVII. SS. COSMAS and DAMIAN, mm.

All as in Mass VIII. p. 477, except

COLLECT. Prasta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that celebrating the festival of thy holy martyrs, Cosmas and Damian, we may, by their intercession, be delivered from all impending evils. Thro'.

GRAD.—The just cried out, &c. p. 480, to

V. These were truly brothers, who have triumphed over the iniquity of the world, followed Christ, and are in possession of the glorious kingdom of heaven.

OFFERT. Ps. v.—All they that love thy name shall glory in thee. For thou, O Lord, wilt bless the just: O Lord, thou hast crowned us, as with a

shield of thy good will.

SECRET.—Let us not be deprived, O Lord, we beseech thee, of the pious intercession of thy saints, which may render our offerings acceptable to thee, and obtain for us the pardon of our sins. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. lxxvin.—They have given the bodies of thy servants, O Lord, to be meat for the fowls of the air; the flesh of thy saints to the beasts of the earth: according to the greatness of thy arm: take possession of them that have been put to death.

P. COMM. Protegat.—We beseech thee, O Lord, to assist thy people by virtue of this heavenly banquet,

and the joint intercession of thy saints.

XXVIII. St. WENCESLAUS, m.

All as in Mass III. p. 466, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who by a glorious martyrdom, was pleased to remove blessed Wenceslaus from an earthly government to the kingdom of heaven: grant, that by his prayers, we may 3 K 3

be preserved from all adversity, and at length admitted to partake of the same glory. Thro'.

GOSPEL. Matt. xvi. as in p. 465.

XXIX. DEDICATION of St. MICHAEL,

And also for the Feast of his Apparition 8th May.

INTROIT. Ps. cii.—Bless the Lord, all ye his angels: you that are mighty in strength, and execute his word, hearkening to the voice of his orders. Allel. Allel. Ps. Bless the Lord, O! my soul: let all that is within me praise his holy name. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Deus qui.—O God, who, by a wonderful order, hast regulated the employments of angels and men: grant that those who are always ministering before thee in heaven, may defend our lives here

on earth. Thro'.

LESSON. Rev. i. 1. 5.—In those days: God gave unto him to make known to his servants the things which must shortly come to pass: and signified, sending by his angel to his servant John: who hath given testimony to the word of God, and the testimony of Jesus Christ, what things soever he hath seen. Blessed is he, that readeth and heareth the words of this prophecy: and keepeth these things which are written in it. For the time is at hand. John to the seven churches which are in Asia. Grace be unto you and peace from him that is, and that was, and that is to come, and from the seven spirits which are before his throne; and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the first begotten of the dead. and the prince of the kings of the earth, who hath loved us, and hath washed us from our sins in his own blood.

GRAD. Ps. cii.—Bless the Lord, all ye his angels: you that are mighty in strength: and execute his word. V. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and let all that is within me praise his holy name.* Allel. Allel

V. Holy Michael the Archangel, defend us in the battle: that we may not perish in the dreadful judgment. Alleluia, Alleluia. † V. [N. B. On the viii. of May the Grad. to * is omitted, and after † is added.] The sea shook, and the earth trembled, when Michael the Archangel came down from heaven. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. xviii, 1, 10,-At that time: The disciples came to Jesus saying: Who, thinkest thou is the greater in the kingdom of heaven? And Jesus calling unto him a little child, set him in the midst of them, and said: Amen I say to you, unless you be converted, and become as little children, you shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven. Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as , this little child, he is the greater in the kingdom of heaven. And he that shall receive one such little child in my name, receiveth me. * But he that shall scandalize one of these little ones that believe in me, it were better for him that a mill-stone should be hanged about his neck, and that he should be drowned in the depth of the sea. Wo to the world because of scandals. For it must needs be that scandals come: but nevertheless we to that man by whom the scandal cometh. And if thy hand or thy foot scandalize thee, cut it off, and cast it from thee. It is better for thee to go into life maimed or laine, than having two hands or two feet, to be cast into everlasting fire. And if thy eye scandalize thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee. It is better for thee having one eve to enter into life, than having two eyes to be cast into hell fire. See that you despise not one of these little ones: for I say to you, that their angels in heaven always see the face of my Father who is in heaven.

OFFERT. Rev. viii.—An angel stood on the altar of the temple, having in his hand a golden censer: and much incense was given him: and the smoke

of the incense ascended in the sight of God. Allel Alleluia.

SECRET.—We offer thee, O Lord, this sacrifice, of praise, that by the intercession of thy angels, thou wouldst mercifully receive the same, and grant that it may avail us unto salvation. Thro'.

COMM. Dan. iii.—O, all ye the angels of the Lord, bless the Lord: sing an hymn to him, and ex-

tol him for ever. Alleluia.

P. COMM. Beati.—We humbly beseech thee, O Lord, that being assisted by the intercession of B. Michael, thy archangel, we may receive in spirit, what we have received with our mouths. Thro'

XXX. St. JEROME, pr. c. and D.

All as in Mass XI. p. 484, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who, to expound the holy scriptures, wast pleased to provide for thy holy church that great doctor, the blessed Jerome: grant, we beseech thee, that by his merits and thy grace, we may live according to what he taught us by word and example. Thro'.

SECRET.—Grant us grace, O Almighty God, by virtue of these heavenly gifts, to serve thee with perfect liberty of mind, by the intercession of blessed Jerome, thy Confessor, that the gifts we now offer

may heal us and procure us glory. Thro'.

P. COMM. Repleti.—Being filled with this heavenly food, we beseech thee, O Lord, to grant us, by the intercession of blessed Jerome, thy Confessor, the grace of thy mercy.

I. Sunday of October.

FEAST of the ROSARY of the B. V. MARY.

All as in the Votive Mass, Salve, p. 507, except COLLECT. Deus, cujus.—O God, whose only Son, by his life, death, and resurrection, hath ob

tained for us the rewards of eternal salvation: grant, we beseech thee, that meditating on these mysteries in the most holy Rosary of the B. V. M. we may imitate what they contain, and come to the happiness which they promise. Thro'.

Here, as well as at the Secret and P. Comm. is made a Commem. of the Sunday after Pentecost, the Gospel whereof is read at the end of the Mass.

II. FEAST of the ANGELS GUARDIANS.

INTROIT. Ps. cii. as on Michaelmas Day, p. 666. COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who, in thy wonderful providence, hath been pleased to appoint thy holy angels for our guardians: mercifully hear our prayers, and grant we may rest secure under their protection, and enjoy their fellowship in heaven for ever. Thro?

LESSON. Exod. xxiii. 20. 23.—Thus saith the Lord God: Behold I will send my angel, who shall go before thee, and keep thee in thy journey, and bring thee into the place that I have prepared. Take notice of him, and hear his voice, and do not think him one to be contemned: for he will not forgive when thou hast sinned, and my name is in him. But if thou wilt hear his voice, and do all that I speak, I will be an enemy to thy enemies, and will afflict them that afflict thee. And my angel shall go before thee.

GRAD. Ps. xc. cii.—God hath given his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. V. In their hands they shall bear thee up, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Bless the Lord, all ye his hosts: you ministers of his that

do his will, praise the Lord. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. as on Michaelmas-day, p. 667. OFFERT. Bless the Lord, all ye his angels: you ministers of his that do his will.

SECRET.—Favourably receive, O Lord, the gifts which we offer thee in honour of thy holy angels: and mercifully grant that, by their continual protection, we may be delivered from present dangers, and obtain eternal life. Thro'.

COMM.—Bless the Lord, all ye angels of the Lord: sing a hymn to his praise, and extol him for ever. Allelvia.

P. COMM. Sumpsimus.—Having joyfully received, O Lord, the divine mysteries on this festival of thy holy angels: we beseech thee, that, by their intercession, we may always be delivered from the snares of our enemies, and fortified against all adversities. Thro'.

III. St. THOMAS, bp. of HEREFORD, c.

All as in Mass XI. p. 484, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—Ó God, who hast adorned thy church with the angelical purity and virtues of thy blessed Bp. Thomas: grant that we thy servants may, by his merits and prayers, be associated with the heavenly host of angels. Thro'.

IV. St. FRANCIS of Assisium, c.

INTROIT. Gal. vi.—But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. Ps. I cried to the Lord with my voice: with my voice I made supplication to the Lord. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who by the exemplary virtues of blessed Francis, didst enlarge thy church by a new offspring: grant we may follow him in despising the things of this world, and be blessed in the perpetual enjoyment of thy heavenly grace. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Gal. vi. 14. 18.—Brethren: God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our

Lord Jesus Christ; by whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature. And whosoever shall follow this rule, peace on them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God. From henceforth let no man be troublesome to me. For I bear the marks of the Lord Jesus in my body. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

GRAD. Ps. xxxvi. as in p. 486, to

V. Francis, poor and humble, goeth rich into heaven, and is honoured with celestial hymns. Allel. GOSPEL. Matt. xi. as on the 15th Jan. p. 537.

OFFERT. Ps. lxxxviii.—My truth and my mercy are with him, and in my name shall his horn be exalted.

SECRET.—Sanctify the gifts dedicated to thee, O Lord: and by the intercession of blessed Francis, purify us from every stain of sin. Thro'.

COMM.—Luke xii.—This is the faithful and wise servant, whom the Lord hath placed over his family, to give them their measure of wheat in due season.

P. COMM. Ecclesiam.—We beseech thee, O Lord, that thy heavenly grace may increase thy church, which thou hast vouchsafed to enlighten by the glorious merits and example of blessed Francis, thy confessor. Thro'.

V. SS. PLACIDUS and COMPANIONS, mm. All as in Mass IX. p. 479, except the Collect, Secret,

and P. Comm. which are taken from Mass VIII. pp. 478, 479.

VI. St. BRUNO, c.

All as in Mass XIII. p. 488, except COLLECT. Sancti Brunonis.—Grant, O Lord, we may be assisted by the holy prayers of blessed

Bruno, thy Confessor, that we, who have grievously offended thy divine Majesty, may, through his merits and intercession, obtain pardon of all our sins. Thro'.

P. COMM. (Quæsumus,) p. 491.

VII. St. MARK, p. c.

All as in Mass XI. p. 484, except

COLLECT. Exaudi.—Hear, O Lord, our pray ers, and, by the intercession of blessed Mark, thy Confessor and Bishop, mercifully grant us pardon and peace. Thro'.

Of SS. Sergius, Bacchus, &c. (Sanctorum.)—We beseech thee, O Lord, that the eminent virtues of thy holy martyrs, Sergius, Bacchus, Marcellus, and Appuleius, may be a benefit to our souls, and encourage us to be always fervent in thy love.

SECRET.—May the offerings, &c. as in p. 499. Of SS. Sergius, &c.—We beseech thee, O Lord,

Of SS. Sergius, &c.—We beseech thee, O Lord, that this host, which is to be offered to thee, may render thy divine Majesty appeared by the worthy intercession of thy saints.

P. COMM. Da, quasumus.—Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, that thy faithful people may always joyfully honour thy saints, and ever be protected by

their prayers. Thro'.

Of SS. Sergius, &c. (Sacramentis.)—Strengthen us, O Lord, by the mysteries which we have received, and, by the intercession of thy holy martyrs, Sergius, Bacchus, Marcellus, and Appuleius, grant us spiritual arms, whereby we may be defended from all assaults of the devil.

VIII. St. BRIDGET, w.

All as in Mass XXI. p. 502, except COLLECT.—O Lord our God, who through the

only begotten Son hast revealed heavenly secrets to blessed Bridget: grant, through her pious intercession, that we thy servants may rejoice for ever in the communication of thy everlasting glory. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 1 Tim. as on 4th of May, p. 580

GOSPEL. Matt. xiii. as in p. 501.

IX. SS. DIONYSIUS, &c. mm.

All as in Mass VIII. p. 477, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who didst this day support blessed Dionysius, thy martyr and bisnop, with the gift of constancy in his sufferings: and didst join to him Rusticus and Eleutherius, to spread thy name among the Gentiles: grant, we beseech thee, that, after their example, we may despise the pleasing things of this world, and fear none of its terrors. Thro'.

LESSON. Acts xvii. 22.—In those days: Paul standing in the midst of Areopagus, said: Ye men of Athens, I perceive that in all things you are too superstitious. For passing by and seeing your idols, I found an altar also on which was written: To the unknown God. What therefore you worship without knowing it, that I preach to you. God who made the world and all things therein, He being Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands, neither is he served with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing it is he who giveth to all, life, and breath, and all things: and hath made of one, all mankind, to dwell upon the whole face of the earth, determining appointed times, and the limits of their habitation, that they should seek God, if happily they may feel after him or find him; although he be not far from every one of us: for in him we live and move, and bar as some also of your own poets said: For u his offspring. Being therefore the offsprin 3 L

we must not suppose the Divinity to be like unto gold, or silver, or stone, the graving of art and device of man. And God indeed having winked at the times of this ignorance, now declareth to men, that all should every where do penance, because he hath appointed a day wherein he will judge the world in equity, by the man whom he hath appointed, giving faith to all, by raising him up from the dead. And when they had heard of the resurrection of the dead, some indeed mocked; but others said: We will hear thee again concerning this matter. So Paul went out from among them. But certain men adhered to him, and believed: among whom was also Dionysius the Areopagite, and a woman named Damaris, and others with them.

GOSPEL. Luke xii. as on the 26th June, p. 603. SECRET.—Favourably, O Lord, receive the gifts which thy people offer thee in honour of thy saints: and by their intercession, we beseech thee to sanctify us. Thro?

P. COMM. Sumptis.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, by the intercession of thy holy martyrs, Dionysius, Rusticus, and Eleutherius, that we may advance more and more in the way of our eternal redemption, by virtue of the sacraments which we have received. Thro'.

XI. St. FRANCIS BORGIA, c.

All as in Mass XIII. p. 488, except

COLLECT, Domine Jesu.—Lord Jesus Christ, who art both the model and the reward of true humility, we beseech thee, that as by thy grace blessed Francis became a glorious follower of thee in the contempt of earthly grandeur: so we also, by the like imitation of thee, may attain to the same glory. Who livest.

GRAD. Ps. xx.—Lord, thou hast prevented, p. 492. Gospel, Matt. xix. and Offert. Ps. xx. ibid.

XII. St. WILFRID, Archbishop of York. c.

All as in Mass XI. p. 484, except COLLECT. Deus qui.—O God, by whose grace the blessed bishop Wilfrid became illustrious for the splendour of his merits: grant, we beseech thee, that we always may be defended by his patronage, under whose instructions we have been taught to aspire after heavenly things. Thro'.

SECRET.—Purify, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, the souls of thy servants with the light of thy holy Spirit, that the gifts we offer thee may become acceptable through the intercession of blessed Wilfrid,

thy confessor and bishop. Thro'.

P. COMM. Redemptionis.—Having feasted on the food of eternal redemption, we humbly implore thy mercy, O Lord, that through the merits and intercession of blessed Wilfrid, thy confessor, we may obtain the gift of eternal salvation. Thro'.

XIII. St. EDWARD, King, c.

All as in Mass XIII. p. 488, except

COLLECT. Deus qui.—O God, who hast crowned the blessed King Edward, thy confessor, with a diadem of glory; grant that we may honour him in such a manner on earth, as to hereafter reign with him in heaven. Thro.

XIV. St. CALISTUS, p. m.

All as in Mass II. p. 464, except

COLLECT. Deus qui.—O God, who seest that we faint under our own infirmities: mercifully grant, that the examples of the saints may raise us up to the sincere love of thee. Thro'.

Collect of St. EDWARD, as on the 13th.

EPISTLE. Heb. v. p. 85, closes at these words, as Aaron was.

GRAD. Ps. lxxxviii.—I have found, as in p. 462, to V. The Lord loved him, and adorned him, and clothed him with a robe of glory. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. x. as in p. 467. OFFERT. Ps. ixxxviii.—My truth and my mercy shall be with him: and in my name shall his horn be exalted.

SECRET .- Grant, O Lord, that this mystic oblation may avail both to cleanse us from our sins, and assure us of eternal salvation. Thro'.

SECRET.-We offer (Of St. EDWARD.) p. 489.

COMM.—Blessed is the servant whom the Lord, when he cometh, shall find watching. Amen, I say

to you, he shall set him over all he hath.

P. COMM. Quæsumus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that these sacred mysteries may purify us from our sins, and obtain for us the grace to live well. Thro'.

P. COMM. Of St. Edward, (Refecti), p. 489.

XV. St. TERESA, v.

All as in Mass XIX p. 498, except

COLLECT. Exaudi.—Hear us, O God, our Saviour, and as we rejoice on the solemnity of blessed Teresa, thy virgin, so may our souls be improved by her heavenly instructions, and inflamed with the love of thee. Thro'.

XVII. St. HEDWIGES, w.

All as in Mass XXI. p. 502, except

COLLECT. Deus qui.-O God, who didst teach blessed Hedwiges to fly from the pomps of the world, and with her whole heart to embrace the humility

of the cross: grant, by her merits and example, that we also may learn to tread under our feet the fading pleasures of this world, and to overcome all that standeth in the way of our salvation, by embracing thy cross. Who livest.

Collect, &c. of St. Edward, as in p. 675.

XVIII. St. LUKE the Evangelist.

INTROIT.-Mihi autem, as in p. 524.

COLLECT. Interveniat.—May the holy evangelist Luke, we beseech thee, O Lord, intercede for us, who continually bore the mortification of the cross in his

body for the honour of thy name. Thro'.

EPISTLE, 2 Cor. viii. 16, 24.—Brethren: Thanks be to God, who hath given the same carefulness for you in the heart of Titus, for indeed he accepted the exhortation: but being more careful, of his own will he went unto you. We have sent also with him the brother, whose praise is in the gospel through all the churches: and not that only, but he was also ordained by the churches companion of our travels, for this grace, which is administered by us to the glory of the Lord, and our determined will: avoiding this, lest any man should blame us in this abundance which is administered by us. For we forecast what may be good not only before God, but also before men. And we have sent with them our brother also, whom we have proved diligent in many things: but now much more diligent, with much confidence in you, either for Titus, who is my companion and fellow-labourer towards you, or our brethren, the apostles of the churches, the glory of Christ. Wheretore shew ye to them, in the sight of the churches, the evidence of your charity, and of our boasting on vour behalf.

GRAD. Ps. xviii. as on the 11th June, p. 591. GOSPEI.. Luke x. as on the 25th April, p. 572. OFFERT. Ps. cxxxviii.—To me, thy friends, O God, are exceedingly honourable: their principality

is exceedingly strengthened.

SECRET.—Give us grace, O Almighty God, by virtue of these heavenly gifts, to serve thee with perfect liberty of mind, by the intercession of blessed Luke, thy evangelist: that the gifts which we now offer, may work in us a cure, and procure us glory Thro?

COMM. Matt. xix.—You who have followed me, shall sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

P. COMM. Prasta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that what we have received from thy holy altar, may, by the prayers of blessed Luke, the evangelist, sanctify our souls, and preserve us from all danger. Thro'.

XIX. St. PETER of ALCANTARA, c. All as in Mass XIV. p. 489, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who wast pleased to render blessed Peter, thy confessor, eminent for his exemplary piety and wonderful contemplation: grant, we beseech thee, that being duly mortified in our bodies, our souls may be better disposed to receive thy heavenly graces. Thro'.

Here, as well as at the Secret and P. Comm. is made a Commem. of St. Edward the Confessor, p. 674.

EPISTLE. Philip iii. as in p. 536.

XXI. SS. URSULA and her Companions, min.

All as in Mass XVIII. p. 497, except

COLLECT. Da nobis.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we may celebrate the victories of thy holy virgins, SS. Ursula and her companions, with a constant devotion: and that although ve can-

not celebrate them as we ought, we may however aim at this duty with all humility. Thro'.

Here, as also at the Secret and P. Comm. is made a Commem. of St. HILARION, from Mass XV. p. 492.

EPISTLE. 1 Cor. vii. from Mass XX. p. 500, Secret and P. Comm. as in Mass XVIII. p. 497.

XXII. St. JOHN CANTIUS, c.

INTROIT. Eccles. xviii.—The mercy of man is toward his neighbour; but the mercy of God is upon all flesh. He hath mercy and teacheth and correcteth as a shepherd doth his flock. V. Blessed is the man who hath not walked in the council of the ungodly, nor stood in the way of sinners, nor sat in the chair of pestilence. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Da quæsumus.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that advancing in the science of the saints after the example of blessed John thy confessor, and shewing mercy to others, we may, by

his merits, obtain mercy of thee. Thro'.

EPISTLE. James ii. 12. 17.—Speak ye, and so do, as being to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgment without mercy to him that hath not done mercy. And mercy exalteth itself above judgment. What shall it profit, my brethren, if a man say he hath faith, but hath not works? Shall faith be able to save him? And if a brother or sister be naked, and want daily food: and one of you say to them: Go in peace, be you warmed and filled: yet give them not those things that are necessary for the body: what shall it profit? So faith also, if it have not works, is dead in itself.

GRAD. Ps. cvi.—Let the mercies of the Lord give glory to him, and his wonderful works to the children of men. V. For he hath satisfied the empty soul: and hath filled the hungry soul with good things. Allel. Allel. V. He hath opened his hand to the

needy; and stretched out his hands to the noor.

GOSPEL. Luke xii. as in Mass XIII p. 488.

SECRET.—Favourably receive, we beseech thee, O Lord, these offerings by the intercession of blessed John, thy Confessor, and grant, that loving thee above all things, and all mankind for thy sake, we may please thee, both in heart and action. Thro?

COMM. Luke vi.—Give and it shall be given to you; good measure pressed down, and shaken together, and running over shall they give into your bosom.

P. COMM. Pretioss.—Being deliciously fed, O Lord, with thy precious body and blood, we humbly entreat thy mercy, that by the merits of blessed John, thy Confessor, we may so imitate his charity, as to be associated to him in glory. Thro'.

XXV. St. JOHN of BEVERLEY, abp. of York.

All as in Mass XI. p. 484, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who didst consecrate this day to the honour of blessed John, thy Confessor and Bishop, grant that thy church may truly rejoice on his festival; that, assisted by his merits and example, we may obtain mercy. Thro'

Of SS. Chrysanthus, &c. (Beatorum.)—May the prayers, O Lord, we beseech thee, of thy holy martyrs, Chrysanthus and Daria, be assisting to us that we may be happily sensible of the effects of their charity, whose memories we honour on this festival. Thro?

SECRET.—Mayest thou mercifully receive, O Lord, this gift from our hands: and through the prayers of blessed John thy Confessor and Bishop, absolve us from all our sins. Thro'.

Of SS. Chrysanthus, &c.—May the offerings of

thy neople, O Lord, be pleasing to thee, which are solemnly offered to thee on the feast of thy holy mar-

tyrs Chrysanthus and Daria. Thro'.
P. COMM. Sanctificati.—Being sanctified by these sacred mysteries, we beseech thee, O Lord. that as thou hast placed us under the patronage of blessed John, thy Confessor and Bishop, we may be

helped by his prayers. Thro'.

Of SS. Chrysanthus, &c. (Mysticis.)—Being refreshed, O Lord, by the holy mysteries, which are all our delight and desire; we beseech thee to grant us, by the intercession of thy holy martyrs, Chrysanthus and Daria, the spiritual effect of the mystery we celebrate in this life. Thro'.

XXVII VIGIL of SS. SIMON and JUDE. All as in Mass VII. p. 475, except

COLLECT. Concede.—Grant, we beseech thee O Almighty God, that as we are preparing to celebrate the glorious solemnity of thy Apostles Simon and Jude; so by their prayers to thy divine Majesty in our behalf, we may be truly disposed for the receiving of thy heavenly blessings. Thro'.

EPISTLE. 1 Cor. iv. as in Mass XIV. p. 490.

GRAD. Ps. lxxviii.—Revenge, O Lord, the blood of thy saints, which has been shed. V. * They have given the dead bodies of thy servants to be meat for the fowls of the air; the flesh of thy saints for the beasts of the earth.

GOSPEL. John xv. as in Mass V. p. 471.

OFFERT. Ps. cxlix.—The saints shall rejoice in glory: they shall be joyful in their beds: the high praises of God shall be in their mouth. Alleluia.

SECRET.—Being conscious that the gifts, which we offer thee on the vigil of thy holy apostles Simon and Jude, are hindered from being acceptable to thee, by our guilty conscience; we humbly beseech thee, that their merits may recommend them to thee. Thro'.

COMM. Ps. lxxviii.—They gave, &c. as above

from V.* in the Gradual.

P. COMM. Sumptis.—Grant, O Lord, we humbly beseech thee, by the intercession of thy blessed Apostles Simon and Jude, that the sacrament, which we have received in this life, may procure for us life eternal. Thro'

XXVIII. SS. SIMON and JUDE, aps.

INTROIT.—Mihi autem, as in p. 524.

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who by thy blessed Apostles, Simon and Jude, hast taught us to know thee, grant we may solemnize their eternal glory with true devotion, and by observing their festival, be improved in the love of thee. Thro.

EPISTLE. Ephes. iv. 7. 13.—Brethren: To every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the giving of Christ. Wherefore he saith: Ascending on high he led captivity captive: he gave gifts to men. Now that he ascended, what is it, but because he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth. He that descended is the same also that ascended above all the heavens, that he might fill all things. And he gave some apostles, and some prophets, and other some evangelists, and other some pastors and doctors. For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: until we all meet into the unity of faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the age of the fulness of Christ.

GRAD.—Thou wilt, to the Alleluia, as in p. 525.

V. Thy friends, O God, are exceedingly honourable: their principality is exceedingly strengthened.

Alleluia.

GOSPEL. John xv. 17. 25.—At that time

Jesus said to his disciples: These things I command you, that you love one another. If the world hate you, know ye that it hath hated me before you. If you had been of the world, the world would love its own: but because you are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you. Remember my word that I said to you: The servant is not greater than his master. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you: if they have kept my word, they will keep yours also. But all these things they will do to you for my name's sake: because they know not him that sent me. If I had not come, and spoken to them, they would not have sin: but now they have no excuse for their sin. He that hateth me, hateth my Father also. If I had not done among them the works that no other man hath done, they would not have sin: but now they have both seen and hated both me and my Father. But that the word may be fulfilled, which is written in their law: They hated without cause. CREDO.

OFFERT. Ps. xviii.—Their sound hath gone forth into all the earth: and their words unto the ends of the world.

SECRET.—We, O Lord, honouring the immortal glory of the blessed Apostles Simon and Jude, humbly beseech thee, that being purified by these sacred mysteries, we may more worthily celebrate their festival. Thro'.

COMM.—You who have followed me, shall sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

P. COMM. Perceptis.—Having received thy sacred mysteries, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord, that by the intercession of thy blessed Apostles, Si mon and Jude, the sacrifice we offer on their venerable passion, may become a remedy to us. Thro'.

XXIX. VENERABLE BEDE, c.

All as in Mass XIII. p. 488, except

COLLECT. Da nobis.—O God, who hast enlightened thy church by the learning of blessed Bede, thy Confessor and Doctor, mercifully grant that we thy servants may be always enlightened by his wisdom, and assisted by his merits. Thro'.

XXXI. The VIGIL of ALL SAINTS.

INTROIT. Wisd. iii.—The saints shall judge nations, and rule over people; and the Lord their God shall reign for ever. Ps. xxxii. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye just: praise becometh the upright. V. Glorv.

COLLECT. Domine.—O Lord God, plentifully pour down upon us thy grace; that we may one day partake of their bliss, whose glorious solemnity we

are now preparing to celebrate. Thro'.

LESSON. Rev. v. 6. 12.—In those days: Behold I, John, saw in the midst of the throne, and of the four living creatures, and in the midst of the ancients, a Lamb standing as it were slain, having seven horns and seven eves: which are the seven spirits of God, sent forth into all the earth. And he came, and took the book out of the right hand of him that sat on the throne. And when he had opened the book, the four living creatures and the four and twenty ancients fell down before the Lamb. having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of the saints. And they sung a new canticle, saying: Thou art worthy. O Lord, to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: because thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God, in thy blood, out of every tribe, and tongue, and people, and nation. And hast made us to our God a kingdom and priests, and we shall

reign on the earth. And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne, and the living creatures and the ancients: and the number of them was thousands of thousands, saying, with a loud voice: The Lamb that was slain is worthy to receive power and divinity, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and benediction, for ever and ever. Amen.

GRAD. Ps. cxlix.—The saints shall exult in glory: they shall rejoice in their beds. V. Sing to the Lord a new canticle: let his praise be in the church of the saints.

GOSPEL. Luke vi. as in p. 478.

OFFERT. Ps. cxlviii.—The saints shall rejoice in glory: they shall be joyful in their beds: the high

praises of God shall be in their mouth.

SECRET.—We cover thy altar, O Lord, with our offerings: grant, we beseech thee, that they may procure for us eternal salvation, by the intercession of all thy saints, whose festival we are preparing to celebrate. Thro'.

COMM. Wisd. iii.—The souls of the just are in the hand of God, and the torment of the wicked shall not touch them: in the sight of the unwise

they seemed to die, but they are in peace.

P. COMM. Sacramentis.—Having with joy received, O Lord, these sacraments on the vigil of that festival, which we are desirous of celebrating: grant that we may be assisted by their prayers, in whose memory those mysteries are offered. Thro'.

November I. FEAST OF ALL SAINTS.

INTROIT.

LET us all rejoice in the Lord, and cele-

brate this festival in honour of all the saints, on whose solemnity the angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

Ps. Rejoice in the Lord O ye just: praise becometh the upright.

V. Glorv.

tum celebrantes sub lonore sanctorum omnium de quorum solemnitate gaudent Angeli, et collaudant Filium Dei.

Ps. Exultate justi in Domino, rectos decet col-

laudatio.

V. Gloria.

COLLECT. Omnipotens.—Almighty and eternal God, by whose favour we honour on one solemnity the merits of all thy saints: grant we may obtain a plentiful blessing of thy so much desired mercy, since we have so many petitioners in our behalf. Thro.

LESSON. Rev. vii. 2. 12.—In those days: Behold I, John, saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, having the sign of the living God. and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea, saying: Hurt not the earth, nor the sea, nor the trees, till we have signed the servants of our God in their foreheads. And I heard the number of them that were signed, an hundred forty-four thousand were signed, of every tribe of the children of Israel. Of the tribe of Juda, were twelve thousand signed: Of the tribe of Ruben, twelve thousand signed: Of the tribe of Gad, twelve thousand signed: Of the tribe of Aser, twelve thousand signed: Of the tribe of Nephthali, twelve thousand signed: Of the tribe of Manasses, twelve thousand signed: Of the tribe of Simeon, twelve thousand signed: Of the tribe of Levi, twelve thousand signed: Of the tribe of Issachar. twelve thousand signed: Of the tribe of Zebulon, twelve thousand signed: Of the tribe of Joseph, twelve thousand signed: Of the tribe of Benjamin. twelve thousand signed. After this I saw a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations and tribes, and peoples and tongues: standing before the throne and in sight of the Lamb clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands and they cried with a loud voice, saying: Salvation to our God who sitteth upon the throne, and to the Lamb. And all the angels stood round about the throne, and the ancients, and the four living creatures: and they fell down before the throne upon their faces, and adored God, saying: Amen. Benediction, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, honour, and power, and strength to our God for ever and ever. Amen.

GRAD. Ps. xxxiii.—Fear the Lord all ye his saints: for there is no want to them that fear him. V. They that seek the Lord shall abound with all good. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Matt. xi, Venite ad me omnes qui laboratis et onerati estis, et ego reficiam vos. Alleluia. V. Come to me all you that labour and are burdened, and I will refresh you.

GOSPEL. Matt. v. 1. 12. - At that time: Jesus seeing the multitude, went up into a mountain, and when he was set down, his disciples came unto him. And opening his mouth he taught them, saying: Blessed are the poor in spirit for their's is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are the meek: for they shall possess the land. Blessed are they that mourn. for they shall be comforted. Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after justice: for they shall have their fill. Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the clean of heart: for they shall see God. Blessed are the peace makers: for they shall be called the children of God. Blessed are they that suffer persecution for justice sake: for their's is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are ye when they shall revile you, and persecute you, and speak all that is evil against you, untruly, for my sake; be glad and rejoice, for your reward is very

great in heaven. CREDO.

OFFERT. Wisd. iii.—The souls of the just are in the hand of God, and the torment of death shall not touch them. In the sight of the unwise they seemed to die: ... ut they are in peace. Alleluia.

SECRET.—We bring to thee, O Lord, the offerings of our devotion: and may they be acceptable to thee in honour of thy saints, and, by thy mercy, avail-

able to our salvation. Thro'.

COMM. Matt. v.—Blessed are the clean of heart; for they shall see God. Blessed are the peace makers: for they shall be called the children of God. Blessed are they that suffer persecution for righteousness sake: for their's is the kingdom of heaven.

P. COMM. Da, quasumus.—Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, that thy faithful people may always ioyfully honour thy saints; and ever be protected by

their prayers. Thro'.

II. COMMEM. of the FAITHFUL, departed.

All as in the Mass (Requiem) p. 510. except the Collect, Fidelium, with its Secret and P. COMM, as in the Common Mass. p. 518, and what follows.

EPISTLE. 1 Cor. xv. 51. 57.—Brethren: Behold I tell you a mystery: We shall indeed all rise again: but we shall not all be changed. In a moment in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall rise again incorruptible: and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption; and this mortal must put on immortality. And when this mortal hath put on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written: Death is swallowed up in victory. O grave, where is thy victory? O ceath, where is thy sting? Now the sting of death is sin,

and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God who hath given us the victory through our Lord

Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL. John v. 25. 29.—At that time: Jesus said to the multitude of the Jews: Amen, amen I say unto you, that the hour cometh, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God, and they that hear shall live. For as the Father hath life in himself; so he hath given to the Son also to have life in himself: and he hath given him power to do judgment, because he is the Son of Man. Wonder not at this, for the hour cometh wherein all that are in the graves shall hear the voice of the Son of God. And they that have done good things shall come forth unto the resurrection of life: but they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of judgment.

III. St. WINEFRID, v. m.

All as in Mass XVII. p. 496, except

COLLECT. Exaudi.—Hear us, O God our Saviour: and as we rejoice on the festival of blessed Winefrid, thy virgin and martyr, so we may improve in the love of piety and devotion. Thro'.

SECRET.—Favourably look down on our offerings, O Lord, and by the intercession of B. Winefrid, thy v. and m. loosen the chains of our sins. Thro'.

P. COMM. Placeant.—Let the performance of our homage be pleasing to thee, O Almighty God: that the holy mysteries we have received may, by the intercession of blessed Winefrid, thy virgin and martyr, reconcile us to thy grace, and cause us to rejoice an eternal happiness. Thro.

IV. St. CHARLES BORROMEUS, bp. c.

All as in Mass X. * p. 482, except

COLLECT. Ecclesiam.—Preserve thy Church,
O Lord, under the continual protection of blessed
Charles, thy c. and bp. that as he was eminent for

3 M 3 Digitized by Google the discharge of the pastoral duty, so his prayers may make us zealous in the love of thy holy name. Thro'

COLLECT. (Præsta.) of St. Vitalis, &c.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that we who keep the solemnity of thy holy martyrs, Vitalis and Agricola, may be helped by their prayers. Thro'. Secret and P. Comm. of SS. Vitalis, &c. as in p. 481.

VIII. OCTAVE-DAY of ALL SAINTS.

All as on the Feast, p. 685, with a Commem. of the Four Crowned Martyrs.

COLLECT. Præsta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that as we have been informed of the constancy of the glorious martyrs in the profession of thy faith, so we may experience their kindness in recommending us to thy mercy. Thro'.

SECRET. (Of the same.) May thy plentiful blessing, O Lord, descend upon our offerings, which, by the intercession of thy martyrs, may render them well pleasing to thee, and make them the sacrament

of our redemption. Thro'.

P. COMM. Calestibus.—Being refreshed with these heavenly and joyful mysteries, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord, that we may enjoy their protection, in whose triumphs we glory. Thro'.

IX. DEDICATION of our Saviour's Church.

All as in the Anniversary Mass, p. 504. COLLECT. (Deus, qui.) of St. Theodore.—O God, who comfortest and protectest us by the glorious confession of blessed Theodore, thy martyr; grant we may be strengthened by his example, and assisted by his prayers. Thro'.

SECRET. Of the same.—Receive, O Lord, the prayers, together with the offerings of thy faithful people : and grant, by the intercession of B. Theodore, thy martyr, that by these acts of piety and devotion, we may arrive at the glory of heaven. Thro'.

P. COMM. Prasta. Of the same.—Grant us, we beseech thee, O Lord, by the intercession of blessed Theodore, thy martyr, to receive with a pure mind, what we have taken with our mouths. Thro'.

X. St. ANDREW AVELLINE, c.

All as in Mass XIII. p. 488, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who disposedst the heart of B. Andrew, thy c. by the arduous vow of daily advancing in virtue, to ascend by wonderful steps to thee; grant, by his merits and intercession, that we may so far partake of the same grace, as to continually advance towards perfection, and be happily brought to an eminent degree of glory. Thro.

COLLECT. Of SS. Tryphon. Fac nos.—Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, that we may always follow the example of thy holy martyrs, Tryphon Respicius, and Nympha, and by their prayers daily

experience their protection. Thro'.

SECRET. Of the same.—We bring thee, O Lord the offerings of our devotion: and may they be acceptable to thee in honour of thy saints, and by thy mercy available to our salvation. Thro.

P. COMM. Prasta. Of the same.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, by the intercession of thy holy martyrs Tryphon, Respicius, and Nympha, that what we have taken with our mouths, we may receive with a pure soul. Thro'.

XI. St. MARTIN, bp. c.

All as in Mass X.* p. 482, except COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who seest that we rely not on our own strength: mercifully grant,

we rely not on our own strength: mercifully grant, by the prayers of blessed Martin, thy c. and bp. that we may be defended against all adversity. Thro'. Commem. of St. Mennas, by the Collect, Secret and P. Comm. of Mass III. p. 466.

GRAD.—Behold a great prelate, who in his days pleased God. V. There was none found like him in keeping the law of the Most High. Alleluia, Alleluia V. The blessed man, holy Martin, bishop of Tours, died: whom the Angels, Archangels, Thrones, Do-

minations, and Powers received. Alleluia.

GOSPÉL. Luke xi. 33.36.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: No man lighteth a candle, and putteth it in a hidden place, nor under a bushel, but upon a candlestick, that they that come in may see the light. The light of thy body is thy eye. If thy eye be single, thy whole body will be lightsome: but if it be evil, thy body will also be darksome. Take heed therefore, that the light which is in thee be not darkness. If then thy whole body be light, some, laving no part of darkness: the whole shall be lightsome, and as a bright lamp shall enlighten thee.

OFFERT.—My truth and my mercy shall be with him: and in my name shall his horn be exalted.

SECRET.—Grant, O merciful God, that this saving oblation may free us from all our sins, and defend us from all adversities. Thro'.

COMM.—Blessed is the servant whom the Lord, when he cometh, shall find watching. Amen, I say

to you, he shall set him over all he hath.

P. COMM. Præsta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord our God, that these sacraments may avail to our salvation, by the intercession of those, on whose feast we have with solemnity offered them. Thro'.

XII. St. MARTIN, p. m.

All as in Mass II. p. 464, except

EPISTLE. 1 Peter, iv. 13.—Dearly Beloved: If you partake of the sufferings of Christ, rejoice, that when nis glory shall be revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy. If you be reproached for the name of Christ, you shall be blessed: for that

which is of the honour, glory, and power of God, and that which is his spirit, resteth upon you. But let none of you suffer as a murderer, or a thief, or a railer, or a coveter of other men's things. But if as a Christian, let him not be ashamed: but let him glorify God in his name. For the time is that judgment should begin at the house of God. And if first at us, what shall be the end of them that believe not the gospel of God? And if the just man shall scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear? Wherefore let them also that suffer according to the will of God, commend their souls in good deeds to the faithful Creator.

GOSPEL. Luke xiv. as in p. 463.

XIII. St. DIDACUS, c.

All as in Mass XIV. p. 489, except

COLLECT. Omnipotens.—O Almighty and eternal God, who, by a wonderful providence, makest choice of the weak things of this world to confound the strong: mercifully grant, that, being perfected in all humility, we may be raised by the prayers of thy holy Confessor, blessed Didacus, to the everlasting glory of heaven. Thro'.

XIV. St. ERCONWALD, bp. of London, c.

All as in Mass XI. p. 484, except

COLLECT. Omnipotens.—Almighty and eternal God, who rejoicest us on this festival of B. Erconwald, thy c. and bp.: we humbly beseech thy clemency, that whilst we devoutly celebrate his solemnity, we may, by his intercession, obtain the means of arriving at eternal happiness. Thro'.

SECRET.—Be favourable, O Lord, to our prayers, and by the intercession of B. Erconwald, thy c. and bp. grant, that whilst we venerate thy heavenly sacraments, we may be free from sin, and

cleansed and purified by thy grace. Thro'.

P. COMM. Prasta.—We beseech thee, O Lord our God, that having obtained mercy by these divine mysteries, we who have here offered them may advance to the complete enjoyment of them on high.

XV. St. GERTRUDE, v.

All as in Mass XIX. p. 498, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who didst prepare an agreeable abode for thyself in the heart of blessed Gertrude, the Virgin, graciously cleanse our hearts, we beseech thee, through her merits and intercession, from all stains, and grant we may enjoy the same happiness with her. Thro'.

XVI. St. EDMUND, abp. of Canterbury, c.

All as in Mass X. * p. 482, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who out of the abundant designs of thy goodness hast been pleased to adorn the life of B. Edmund, thy c. and bp. with merits, and to cause thy church to rejoice in his miracles: mercifully grant that we thy servants may reform our lives after his example, and that under his protection we may be preserved from all adversity. Thro'.

SECRET.—May the gifts we offer be pleasing to thee, O Lord, thro' the prayers of B. Edmund, thy c. and bp. and be available to our solvation. Thro'.

P. COMM. Mentes.—Strengthen, O Lord, our souls by the sacrament we have received: that as thou hast comforted us by the fresh miracles of B. Edmund, thy c. and bp.; so thou wouldst help us by his suffrages, and enlighten us by his example. Thro.

XVII. St. HUGH, bp. of Lincoln, c.

All as in Mass XI. p. 484, except
COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who didst
eminently adorn B. Hugh, thy c. and bp. by the ex-

cellency of his merits and brilliancy of his miracles: grant, we beseech thee, that the lustre of his virtues may excite us to an imitation of his actions. Thro'

SECRET.—May the prayers, O Lord, of B. Hugh, thy c. and bp. accompany the gifts we now offer thee; that by the aid of his prayers and intercession, we may obtain both grace and glory. Thro'.

P. COMM.—May this oblation of our service be pleasing to thee, O Lord, by the intercession of B. Hugh, thy c. and bp. lest our guilt should exclude us from the benefit of this heavenly sacrament. Thro'.

XIX. St. ELIZABETH, w.

All as in Mass XXI. p. 502, except

COLLECT. Tworum.—Enlighten the hearts of thy faithful, O most merciful God, and by the prayers of blessed Elizabeth, grant we may despise the pleasing things of this world, and ever be refreshed with the comforts of heaven. Thro'.

XX. St. EDMUND, King and m. All as in Mass III. p. 466, except

COLLECT. Deus, ineffabilis.—O God, of unspeakable mercy, who by the death of blessed King Edmund hast made him victorious over his enemies: grant, we beseech thee, that we thy family may, through his intercession, be enabled to overcome the old enemy, by suppressing within us every incitement to evil. Thro.

SECRET.—Mercifully look down, O Lord, on this sacrifice of our redemption, and favourably receive

it in behalf of this thy family. Thro'.

P. COMM. Sint.—May the offer of our service be acceptable to thee, O Almighty God: that the holy things we have received may, by the intercession of B. Edmund, the King and m. obtain for us the rewards of eternal life. Thro.

XXI. PRESENTATION of the B. V. MARY.

Au as in the Votive Mass, p. 507, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.-O God, who wast pleaseu that blessed Mary, ever a Virgin, become an abode for the Holy Ghost should this day be presented to thee in the temple: grant, by her intercession, that we may be presented before thy divine Majesty in the temple of God. Thro'.

XXII. St. CECILY, v. m.

All as in Mass XVI. p. 493, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who grantest us the yearly comfort of celebrating the feast of B. Cecily, thy v. and m. grant, that as we honour her in glory, we may follow her example in the practice of a virtuous life. Thro'.

LESSON. Eccles. li. as in p. 496.

GRAD.—Hearken, O daughter, and see and incline thy ear: for the king is taken with thy beauty. V. With thy comeliness and thy beauty set out, proceed prosperously, and reign. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. The five wise virgins took oil in their vessels with their lamps: and at midnight there was a cry; Behold, the Bridegroom comes: go forth, and meet Christ the Lord. Allelvia.

SECRET .- May this sacrifice of propitiation and praise, we beseech thee, O Lord, by the intercession of B. Cecily, thy v. and m. ever make us worthy of thy mercy. Thro.

P. COMM. Satiasti.—Having fed, O Lord, thy family with these sacred oblations: ever therefore comfort us with her intercession, whose feast we celebrate. Thro'.

XXIII. St. CLEMENT, p. m.

INTROIT. Ps. lvi .- My words, saith the Lord. which I have put in thy mouth, shall not depart from hence: and thy offerings shall be pleasing on my altar. Ps. cxi. Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord: in his commandments he taketh great delight. V. Glory

COLLECT, Deus, qui nos, as in p. 464.

Of St. Felicitas. Prasta.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that by celebrating the feast of B. Felicitas, thy m. we may be protected by her merits and prayers. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Phil. iii. as in p. 455.

GRAD. Ps. cix.—The Lord hath sworn, and he will not repent: Thou art a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchisedech. V. The Lord said to my Lord: Sit thou at my right hand. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. This is the priest, whom the Lord hath crowned. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. Matt. xxiv. Offert. and Comm. as in

p. 485.

SECRET.—Sanctify, O Lord, the offerings we bring to thee, and by the intercession of blessed Clement, thy martyr and bishop, cleanse us from the stains of our sins. Thro'.

Of St. Felicitas.—Mercifully look down, O Lord, on the vows of thy people: and grant we may enjoy her patronage, whose festival we cele-

brate. Thro'.

P. COMM. Corporis.—Being nourished by the participation of thy sacred body and precious blood, we beseech thee, O Lord our God, that what we perform with pious devotion, may, by the intercession of blessed Clement, thy martyr and bishop, be to us a certain means of salvation. Thro'.

Of St. Felicitas. Supplices.—We humbly beseech thee, O Almighty God, that by the intercession of thy saints, thou wouldst increase in us thy gifts.

and regulate our lives. Thro'.

XXIV. St. JOHN of the CROSS. c.

All as in Mass XIII. p. 488, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who didst inspire blessed John, thy confessor, with an ardent love of self-denial and of the cross: grant, we may so follow his example, as to obtain eternal glory. Thro'.

Of St. Chrisogonus. Adesto.—Give ear, O God, to our prayers, that we, who in all humility acknowledge the guilt of our offences, may, by the prayers of blessed Chrysogonus, thy martyr, be delivered from the burden of our sins. Thro.

SECRET. Of the same.—Be appeased, O Lord, we beseech thee, by the offerings we have made: and defend us from all dangers by the intercession

of blessed Chrysogonus, thy martyr. Thro'.

P. COMM. Tui, Domine.—Grant, O Lord, that by the participation of thy sacrament, we may be cleansed from our secret sins, and freed from the

snares of our enemies. Thro'.

Of St. Chrysogonus. Trui, Domine.—May we O Lord, by the participation of this thy sacrament, be both cleansed from our sins, and delivered from all the snares of our enemies. Thro'.

XXV. St. CATHARINE, v. m.

All as in Mass XVI. p. 493, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who gavest the law to Moses on Mount Sinai, and didst wonderfully translate the body of blessed Catharine, thy virgin and martyr thither, by the ministry of holy angels: mercifully grant, by her merits and prayers, that we may safely come to the mount which is Christ Who liveth.

XXVI. St. FELIX VALOIS, c.

All as in Mass XIV. p. 489, except

COLLECT. Deus, qui.—O God, who by thy heavenly inspiration didst call blessed Felix thy confessor out of the desert to exercise his charity in the redemption of captives: grant, that having obtained thy grace by his intercession, we may be freed from the captivity of sin, and brought safe to our heavenly country. Thro'.

Collect of St. Peter, Infirmitatem, with its Secret and P. Comm. as in Mass I. p. 461.

XXVII. St. GREGORY Thaumaturgus, bp. c.

All as in Mass X.* p. 482, except

GOSPEL. Mark xi. 22.—At that time: Jesus answering said to his disciples: Have the faith of God. Amen I say to you, that whosoever shall say to this mountain: Be thou removed, and be cast into the sea, and shall not stagger in his heart, but believe, that whatsoever he saith shall be done, it shall be done unto him. Therefore I say to you, all things, whatsoever you ask when ye pray, believe that you shall receive: and they shall come unto you.

VOTIVE MASS of the BLESSED TRINITY.

All as on Trinity Sunday, p. 392, except

EPISTLE. 2 Cor. xiii. 11.—Brethren: Rejoice, be perfect, take exhortation, be of one mind, have peace: and the God of peace and of love shall be with you. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and 3 N 2

the charity of God, and the communication of the Holy Ghost, be with you all Amen.

After Septuag. instead of the Alleluia and V. p. 393

TRACT. Te Deum patrem ingenitum, te Filium unigenitum, te Spiritum Sanctum Paractitum, sanctam et individuam Trinitatem, toto corde confilemur laudamus atque benedicimus. V. Quoniam magnus es tu, et faciens mirabilia, tu es Deus solus. V. Tlb laus, tibi gratiarum actio, in sæcula sempiterna, O beata Trinitas.

In Paschal Time, instead of the Gradual, is said, Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Benedictus es Domine Deus patrum nostrorum et laudabilis in sæcula. Alleluia, V. Benedicamus Patrem et Filium cum Sancto Spiritu. Alleluia.

GOSPEL. John xv. 26.—At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: When the Paraclete cometh whom I will send you from the Father, the Spirit of Truth who proceedeth from the Father, he shail give testimony of me: and you shall give testimony, because you are with me from the beginning. (Chap. xvi.) These things have I spoken to you, that you may not be scandalized. They will put you out of the synagogues: yea, the hour cometh, that whosoever killeth you, will think that he doth a service to God. And these things they will do to you, because they have not known the Father, nor me. But these things I have told you, that when the hour shall come, you may remember that I told you.

VOTIVE MASS of the HOLY GHOST.

Omitting the Prose and Preface, the rest is as on Whitsunday, p. 375, except

LESSON. Acts viii. 14. 17. as in p. 380. GRAD.—Blessed is the nation, whose God is the

Lord: the people whom the Lord hath chosen for his inheritance. By the word of the Lord the heavens were established; and all the power of them by the spirit of his mouth. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. * Come, O Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of thy faithful, and kindle in them the fire of thy love. Alleluia.

After Septuag. instead of the foregoing Alleluia and V. is said the

TRACT. Ps. ciii.—Send forth thy Spirit and they shall be created, and thou wilt renew the face of the earth. V. O'Lord, how good and sweet is thy spirit in us. V. Come, O Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of thy faithful, and kindle in them the fire of thy love.

N. B. In Paschal time, instead of the foregoing Gradual, &c. is said the V. Emitte spiritum, p. 376.

Either the Votive Mass of the Blessed Trinity, or that of the Holy Ghost, is said on any occasion of thanksgiving, with the addition of the following Collect, Secret, and Postcommunion.

COLLECT. Deus, cujus.—O God, whose mercies are without number, and the treasure of whose goodness is infinite, we give thee thanks for the blessings thou hast bestowed on us: always beseeching thy divine Majesty, that as thou grantest what we ask, so thou wouldst continue thy favours to us in such a manner, that by them we may be prepared for receiving the rewards of eternal happiness. Thro'.

SECRET.—Receive, O Lord, this sacrifice of thanksgiving, and grant that those whom thou hast heard, and hitherto preserved, thou mayest hereafter defend from all adversity, that they may serve and

love thee more and more. Thro'.
P. COMM. Deus qui neminem.—O God, who sufferest not those who hope in thee to be over much afflicted, but mercifully attendest to their pe-

^{*} Here kneel.

titions: we give thee thanks for having heard our prayers, humbly beseeching thee, that by what we have received, we may be delivered from all adversity. Thro'.

The thanksgiving Hymn, TE DEUM, is said or sung after Mass.

TE Deum laudamus: Te Dominum confitemur.
Te æternum Patrem omnis terra veneratur.
Tibi omnes angeli, tibi cœli et universæ potestates,
Tibi cherubim et seraphim, incessabili voce proclamant:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus Saboath, Pleni sunt cœli et terra majestate gloriæ tuæ.

Te gloriosus Apostolorum chorus;

Te prophetarum laudabilis numerus;

Te martyrum candidatus laudat exercitus.

Te per orbem terrarum, sancta confitetur ecclesia,

Patrem immensæ majestatis:

Venerandum tuum verum, et unicum Filium; Sanctum quoque Paraclitum Spiritum.

Tu Rex gloriæ Christe:

Tu patris Sempiternus es Filius.

Tu ad liberandum suscepturus hominem, non horruisti virginis uterum:

Tu devicto mortis aculeo, aperuisti credentibus regna cœlorum.

Tu ad dextram Dei sedes: in gloria Patris.

Judex crederis esse venturus:

Te ergo, quæsumus, tuis famulis subveni, quos pretioso sanguine redemisti.

Æterna fac cum sanctis tuis in gloria numerari.

Salvum fac populum tuum, Domine: et benedic hæreditati tuæ.

Et rege eos, et extolle illos usque in æternum.

Per singulos dies benedicimus te.

Et laudamus nomen tuum in sæculum: et in sæculum sæculi.

Dignare, Domine, die isto: sine peccato nos custodire.

Miserere nostri. Domine: miserere nostri.

Fiat misericordia tua, Domine, super nos: quemadmodum speravimus in te.

In te Domine speravi : non confundar in æternum.

V. Benedicamus Patrem et Filium, cum Sancto Spiritu.

R. Laudemus et superexaltemus eum in sæcula.

The Prayer, COLLECT, Deus cujus, as in p. 702.

Paraphrastical Translation of Te Deum.

THEE, sov'reign God our grateful accents praise We own thee Lord, and bless thy wond'rous wavs.

To thee, eternal Father, earth's whole frame, With loudest trumpets sounds immortal fame. Lord God of Hosts! to thee the heavenly powers, With sounding anthems fill thy vaulted tow'rs. The Cherubim thrice Holy, Holy, Holy, cry: Thrice Holy all the Seraphim reply, And thrice returning echoes, endless song supply. Both heaven and earth thy Majesty display; They owe their beauty to thy glorious ray. Thy praises fill the loud apostles' choir: The train of prophets in the song conspire. Legions of martyrs in the chorus shine, And vocal blood, with vocal music join, By these thy Church, inspir'd with heav'nly art, Around the world maintains a second part: And tunes her sweetest notes, O God! to thee, The Father of unbounded Majesty: The Son, ador'd co-partner of thy seat. And equal everlasting Paraclete. Thou king of glory, Christ, of the Most High Thou co-eternal filial Deity: Thou who to save the world's impending doom, Vouchsaf'dst to dwell within a virgin's womb:

Old tyrant Death disarm'd; before thee flew The bolts of heav'n, and back the foldings drew To give access, and make the faithful way: From God's right-hand thy filial beams display. Thou art to judge the living and the dead. Then spare those souls for whom thy veins have bled O take us up amongst the blest above, To share with them thy everlasting love. Preserve, O Lord, thy people, and enhance Thy blessing on thine own inheritance. For ever raise their hearts, and rule their ways: Each day we bless thee, and proclaim thy praise: No age shall fail to celebrate thy name; Nor hour neglect thy everlasting fame. Preserve our souls, O Lord, this day from ill: Have mercy on us, Lord! have mercy still. As we have hop'd do thou reward our pain: We've hop'd in thee, let not our hope be vain.

V. Let us bless the Father, the Son, and the Holy

Ghost.

R. Let us praise and extol him for ever.

MASS for the BRIDEGROOM and BRIDE, at the BENEDICTION of the MARRIAGE.

INTROIT. Tob. vii.—May the God of Israel join you together: and may he be with you, who was merciful to our two first parents, when alone. And now, O Lord, make them praise thee with a full and sincere heart. Alleluia, Alleluia. Ps. Blessed are all they that fear the Lord, that walk in his ways. V. Glorv.

COLLECT. Exaud nos.—Hear us, O Almighty and merciful God, that what we according to our office perform, may be abundantly sanctified by thy blessing. Thro'.

EPISTLE. Eph. v. 22. 33.—Brethren: Let women be subject to their husbands, as to the Lord.

Because the husband is the head of the wife: as Christ is the head of the Church: he is the Saviour of his body. Therefore as the Church is subject to Christ. so also let the wives be to their husbands in all things. Husbands love your wives, as Christ also loved the Church, and delivered himself up for it: that he might sanctify it, cleansing it by the layer of water in the word of life; that he might present it to himself a glorious Church not having spot or wrinkle, nor any such thing, but that it should be holy and without blemish. So also ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife, loveth himself. For no man ever hated his own flesh: but nourisheth and cherisheth it, as also Christ doth the Church: for we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones. "For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother; and shall stick to his wife, and they shall be two in one flesh." This is a great sacrament: but I speak in Christ and in the Church. Nevertheless let every one of you in particular love his wife as himself: and let the wife fear her husband.

GRAD. Ps. exxvii.—Thy wife shall be as a fruit ful vine on the sides of thy house. V. Thy children as olive plants round about thy table. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Ps. xix.—May the Lord send thee help from the sanctuary, and defend thee out of Sicn. Alleluia.

After Septuag. instead of Alleluia and V. is said

TRACT. Ps. cxxvii. Behold thus shall the man be blessed that feareth the Lord. V. May the Lord bless thee out of Sion, and mayest thou see the good things of Jerusalem all the days of thy life. V. And mayest thou see thy children's children: peace upon Israel.

GOSPEL. Matt. xix. 3. 6.—At that time: The Pharisees came to Jesus, tempting him, and saying: Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife

for every cause? Who answering said to them: Have ye not read, that he who made man from the beginning, made them male and female? And he said: "for this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife, and they two shall be in one flesh." Therefore now they are not two, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

OFFÉRT. Ps. xxx.—In thee, O Lord, have I put my trust: I have said: thou art my God; my life is

in thy hands.

SECRET.—Receive, we beseech thee, O Lord, the offerings we make for the sacred law of wedlock: and as thou wast the author of this work, be also the regulator thereof. Thro'.

The NUPTIAL BLESSING.

After the Pater noster, the Priest standing on the Epistle side, turns towards the Bridegroom and Bride kneeling before him and says:

Let us pray. *Propitiare*.

/ ERCIFULLY give ear, O Lord, to our prayers, MERCIFULLY give ear, O Lord, to our prayers, and let thy grace accompany this thy institution, by which thou hast ordained the propagation of mankind, that this tie, which is made by thy authority, may be preserved by thy grace. Thro, R. Amen.

Let us pray. Deus, qui potestate. O God, who, by the power of thy might, didst create all things out of nothing: who, at the first forming of the world, having made man to the likeness of God, didst, out of his flesh, make the woman, and give her to him for a helpmate: and by this didst inform us, that what in its beginning was one, ought never to be separated. O God, who by so excellent a mystery, hast consecrated this union of the two sexes, and hast been pleased to make it a type of the great sacrament of Christ and

his Church. O God, by whom woman is joined to man, and that union, which was instituted in the beginning, is still accompanied with such a blessing, as alone, neither in punishment of original sin, nor by the sentence of the deluge, had been recalled; mercifully look down upon this thy handniaid, who, being now to be joined in wedlock, earnestly desires to be taken under thy protection: may love and peace constantly remain in her: may she marry in Christ faithful and chaste: may she ever imitate the holy women of former times: may she be pleasing to her husband, like Rachael: discreet, like Rebecca: may she, in her years and fidelity, be like Sarah: and may the first author of all evil, at no time, have any share in her actions. May she remain attached to the faith and the commandments, and, being joined to one man in wedlock, may she fly all unlawful addresses: may a regularity of life and conduct be her strength against the weakness of her sex: may she be modest and grave, bashful and venerable, and well instructed in heavenly doctrine. May she be fruitful in her offspring, approved and innocent: and may it be at length her happy lot to arrive at the rest of the blessed in the kingdom of God: may they both see their children's children to the third and fourth generation, and live to their wished-for old age. Thro'. R. Amen.

COMM. Ps. cxxvii.—Thus shall every man be blessed that feareth the Lord: mayest thou see thy

children's children: peace be to Israel.

P. COMM. Quasumus.—Mercifully accompany, O Lord, we beseech thee, what thy providence hath instituted; and preserve in length of peace those, whom thou lawfully joinest together. Thro'. Before the Priest gives the Blessing to the People, he

turns to the Bridegroom and Bride, and says:

NAY the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac,
and the God of Jacob be with you: and

may he fulfil his blessing in you: that you may see your children's children to the third and fourth generation: and afterwards enter into the possession of eternal life, through the assistance of our Lord Jesus Christ, who with the Father and the Holy Ghost, liveth, &c. R. Amen.

Then he exhorts them to observe an inviolable fidelity toward each other; to practise continence at the times of Prayer, (especially on Fast-days and great solemnities) and to persevere in the fear of God.

A VOTIVE MASS for the SICK.

INTROIT. Ps. liv.—Hear, O God, my prayer, and despise not my supplication: be attentive to me, and hear me. Ps. I am grieved in my exercise: and am troubled at the voice of the enemy, and at the

tribulation of the sinner. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Omnipotens.—O Almighty and everlasting God, the eternal salvation of them that believe in thee; hear us in behalf of thy servants, who are sick, for whom we humbly crave the help of thy mercy, that their health, being restored to them, they may render thanks to thee in thy Church. Thro.

If the sick person be near the point of Death.

COLLECT. Omnipotens.—O Almighty and merciful God, who hast prepared for mankind the means of salvation, and the rewards of eternal life: look down, in thy mercy, on thy servant now labouring under the calamity of sickness, and be thou the comfort of his [or her] soul, which thou hast created: that, at the hour of death, it may be presented to thee, by the hands of the angels, without spot. Thro'.

EPISTLE. James v. 13. 16.—Brethren: Is any of you sad? Let him pray. Is he cheerful in mind? Let him sing psalms. Is any man sick among you? Let

him bring in the priests of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: and the prayer of faith shall save the sick man; and the Lord shall raise him up: and if he be in sins, they shall be forgiven him. Confess therefore your sins one to another: and pray one for another, that you may be saved.

GRAD. Ps. vi.—Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am weak: heal me, O Lord. V. All my bones are troubled, and my soul is troubled exceedingly. Alleluia, Alleluia. V. Hear, O Lord, my prayer: and

let my cry come to thee. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima, instead of the Alleluias and V. following, is said the

TRACT. Ps. xxx.—Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am afflicted: my eye is troubled with wrath, my soul, and my belly. V. For my life is wasted with grief; and my years in sighs. V. My strength is weakened through poverty, and my bones are disturbed.

GOSPEL. Matt. viii. 5. 13.—At that time: When Jesus had entered into Capharnaum, there came to him a Centurion, beseeching him, and saying: Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, and is grievously tormented. And Jesus saith to him: I will come and heal him. And the Centurion making answer saith: Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst enter under my roof: but only say the word, and my servant shall be healed. For I also am a man subject to authority, having under me soldiers: and I say to this man, Go, and he. goeth, and to another, Come, and he cometh, and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it. And Jesus hearing this, marvelled: and said to them that followed him: Amen, I say to you, I have not found so great faith in Israel. And I say to you that many shall come from the East and the West, and shall sit 3 O

down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven: but the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into exterior darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. And Jesus said to the Centurion: Go, and as thou hast believed, so be it done to thee. And the servant was healed at the same hour.

OFFERT. Ps. liv—Hear, O God, my prayer, and despise not my supplication: be attentive to me,

and hear me.

SECRET.—O God, by whose pleasure the moments of our life are numbered, receive the prayers and sacrifices of thy servants, for whom, in their sickness, we implore thy mercy; that we may rejoice in the health of those, whom we now apprehend to be in danger. Thro'.

If the sick Person be near the point of Death.

SECRET.—Receive, O Lord, the sacrifice we offer for thy servant, who is near the end of his [or her] life: and grant, that by it, all his [or her] sins may be cleansed away, that he [or she] who is chastised by thy appointment in this life, may obtain eternal rest in that which is to come. Thro.

COMM. Ps. xxx.—Make thy face to shine upon thy servant, save me in thy mercy, save me: Lord, let me not be confounded O Lord, for I have called

upon thee.

P. COMM. Deus, infirmitatis.—O Lord, the singular aid of human weakness, shew the power of thy help to thy sick servant: that being assisted by thy mercy, he may come in health again to thy holy Church. Thro.

If the sick Person be near the point of Death.

P. COMM. Quæsumus.—We beseech thy mercy, O Almighty God, that thou wouldst please to strengthen with thy grace thy servant by the efficacy of these mysteries, that the enemy may not prevail against him [or her] at the hour of his [or her] death,

but that he [or she] may pass to eternal life with thy angels. Thro'.

MASS in time of WAR.

The Ps. Miserere, p. 279, is previously said or sung, after which follows the Prayer, O God, who by sin art offended, at the bottom of p. 363.

INTROIT. Ps. xxiv.—Remember, O Lord, thy bowels of compassion, and thy mercies, that are from the beginning of the world: lest at any time our enemies should prevail over us: deliver us, O God of Israel, from all our perplexities. Ps. ib. To thee, O Lord, have I lifted up my soul: in thee, O my God, I put my trust; let me not be ashamed. V. Glory.

COLLECT. Deus, qui conteris bella.—O God of battles, who grantest the victory to those that put their trust in thee: mercifully hear the prayers of us thy servants, that the evil designs of our enemies being defeated, we may praise thee with unceasing

gratitude. Thro'.

LESSON. Jer. xlii.—In those days: All the captains of the warriors came, and said to Jeremiah the prophet: pray thou for us to the Lord thy God. And the word of the Lord came to Jeremiah, and he called all the captains of the warriors, and all the people, from the least to the greatest. And he said to them Thus saith the Lord God of Israel, to whom you sent me, to present your supplications before him: If you will be quiet, and remain in this land, I will build you up, and not pully you down: I will plant, and not pluck you up; for now I am appeased for the evil that I have done to you. Fear not because of the King of Babylon, of whom you are greatly afraid: fear him not, saith the Lord: for I am with you, to save you, and to deliver you from his hand. And I will shew mercies to you, and will

take pity on you, and will cause you to dwell in

your own land, saith the Lord, the Almighty.

GRAD. Ps. lxxvi.—Thou art the God, that alone cost wonders: Thou hast made thy power known among the nations. V. Thou hast by thy power delivered thy people, the children of Israel and Joseph. Alleluia, Alleluia. Ps. lviii. Deliver me from my enemies, O my God: and defend me from them that rise up against me. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima (but not in Paschal time) instead of the foregoing Alleluias and V. is said the

TRACT, Deal not with us, as in p. 117.

GOSPEL. Matt. xxiv. 3. 8.—At that time: The disciples came to him privately, saying: Tell us when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the consummation of the world? And Jesus answering, said to them: Take heed that no man seduce you: for many will come in my name, saying: I am Christ: and they will seduce many. And you shall hear of wars, and rumours of wars. See that ye be not troubled. For these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be pestilences, and famines, and earthquakes in places: now all these are the beginnings of sorrows.

OFFERT. Ps. xvii.—Thou wilt save the humble people, Lord: but wilt bring down the eyes of the

proud: for who is God, but thee, O Lord?

SECRET.—Graciously receive, O Lord, the sacrifice we offer unto thee; that being delivered from the scourges of war, we may be placed under the wings of thy protection. Thro'.

COMM., Ps. xxx.—Bow down thy ear to me, O

Lord; make haste to deliver me.

P. COMM. Deus regnorum.—O God, the supreme ruler of kings and kingdoms, who, by chastising, dost heal us, and by pardoning, dost preserve.

us: pour down upon us thy mercy, that resting in perfect security, under thy powerful protection, we may apply the blessings of peace as remedies towards the amendment of our lives. Thro'.

Occasional Collects, Secrets, and P. Comms. to be said after the proper ones on days that are not doubles, at the choice of the Priest or Persons hearing Mass.

For desiring the Prayers of the Saints.

COLLECT. Concede.—Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that the intercession of holy Mary, the mother of God, and that of all the holy Apostles, Martyrs, Confessors, Virgins, and of all the elect, may every where bring joy to us: that while we celebrate their virtues, we may experience their patronage. Thro' the same.

SECRET.—Be appeased, O Lord, with the offerings we have made; and by the intercession of blessed Mary, ever a Virgin, and of all thy saints,

defend us from all dangers. Thro'.

P. COMM. Sumpsimus.—We have received, O Lord, thy heavenly mysteries, celebrating the memory of blessed Mary, ever a Virgin, and of all thy saints: grant, we beseech thee, that what we perform here in time, we may receive the joyful effects of in eternity. Thro'.

For all States of the Church.

COLLEC'I. Omnipotens .- O Almighty and everlasting God, by whose spirit the whole body of the church is sanctified and governed: hear our humble prayers for all degrees thereof, that, by the assistance of thy grace, they may faithfully serve thee. Thro'.

SECRET.—Grant thy servants, O Lord, the pardon of their sins, comfort in life, and thy perpetual 303

protection: that, persevering in thy service, they

may always obtain thy mercy. Thro'.

P. COMM. Libera.—Deliver, O Lord, we beseech thee, from all sin and from all enemies, thy servants, who offer their humble prayers to thee, that, leading holy lives, they may be attacked by no misfortunes. Thro'.

For a Congregation or Family.

COLLECT. Defende.—Preserve, O Lord, we beseech thee, this family from all misfortunes, through the intercession of blessed Mary, ever a Virgin; and, as in all humility they prostrate themselves before thee, do thou mercifully defend them from all the snares of their enemies. Thro'.

SECRET.—Receive, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, our devout oblation; and, by virtue of this sacrament, defend thy servants from all adver-

sity. Thro'.

P. COMM. Sumptis.—Having received the offerings of our redemption, grant, we beseech thee, O merciful God, that, by the celebration thereof, we may find thy protection against all adversity. Thro'.

For Peace in a Congregation or Family.

COLLECT.-O God, the author of peace and lover of charity, give to thy servants true agreement with thy holy will; that we may be freed from all the temptations that disturb us. Thro'.

SECRET.—Being appeased by this sacrifice, grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that we may not be burdened with the sins of others, who beg to be freed

from our own. Thro'.

P. COMM.—Pour forth upon us, O Lord, the spirit of charity: that thou mayest, by thy mercy, make those of one mind whom thou hast fed with one bread. Thro'.

Against Persecutors and Evil-Doers.

COLLECT. Hostium.—Crush, O Lord, we beseech thee, the pride of our enemies: and, by the power of thy right hand, frustrate all their malicious

and obstinate designs. Thro'.

SECRET.—May we, O Lord, by the virtue of this sacrament, be both cleansed from our hidden sins and delivered from the snares of our enemies. Thro?

P. COMM. Protector.—Look down on us, O God our protector, and free us from the danger of our enemies, that we may serve thee without any disturbance. Thro'.

In any Necessity.

COLLECT. Deus refugium.—O God, our refuge and strength, fountain of all goodness, mercifully give ear to the fervent prayers of thy church, and grant that what we ask with faith, we may effectually obtain. Thro'.

SECRET.—Grant, O merciful God, that this sacrifice of our salvation may continually cleanse us from all our guilt, and defend us from all adversity.

P. COMM. Sumpsimus.—We have received, O Lord, the sacred gifts of thy mystery, beseeching thee, that what thou commandest us to do in remembrance of thee, may be a help to our weakness. Thro?.

In any Tribulation.

COLLECT.—Turn not away thine eyes, O most merciful God, from thy people crying out to thee in their affliction: but for the glory of thine own name, relieve us in our necessities. Thro'.

SECRET.—Mercifully receive, O Lord, the offerings by which thou vouchsafest to be appeased; and by thy great goodness restore us to safety. Thro'.

P. COMM.—Look down mercifully, we beseech thee, O Lord, on our tribulation; and turn away the wrath of thy indignation, which we justly deserve. Thro'.

In a Famine or Pestilence.
COLLECT.—Grant, us, O Lord, the effects of

our humble and pious prayers: and by thy goodness deliver us from this famine or pestilence, that men may be sensible such scourges proceed from thy

anger, and cease by thy mercy.

SECRET.-O God, who nourishest and renewest the two-fold substance of man by virtue of these sacramental gifts: mercifully grant that by their aid nothing may be wanting to our souls and bodies. Thro'

P. COMM.—Feed those, we beseech thee, O Lord, with corporal food, whom thou art pleased to nourish with thy eternal mysteries. Thro'.

For Rain.

COLLECT .- O God, in whom we live, move and have our being, send us, we beseech thee, seasonable rain; that enjoying a sufficiency of the necessaries of this life, we may aspire with more confidence after those blessings which are eternal. Thro'.

SECRET.—Be appeased, O Lord, with the offerings we make thee; and send us the aid of season-

able rain. Thro'.

P. COMM.—Grant us, we beseech thee, O Lord, wholesome rain; and water from heaven the drought of the earth. Thro'.

For Fair Weather.

COLLECT.—Hear us, O Lord, crying out to thee, and grant our humble request of a dry season; that we who are justly afflicted for our sins may experi-

ence thy clemency and mercy. Thro'.

SECRET.—May thy grace, O Lord, always go before and follow us; and mercifully receive, as consecrated to thy name, the offerings we bring for the remission of our sins; that by the intercession of thy saints, they may avail us to salvation. Thro'.

P. COMM.—We beseech thy mercy, O Almighty God, that thou wouldst stop the overflowing of rain. and shew us thy pleasing countenance. Thro'.

Against Storms.

COLLECT.—Defend, we beseech thee, O Lord, this house against the assaults of our spiritual enemies: and cause the present dreadful disorder of the air to cease. Thro'.

SECRET.—We offer thee, O Lord, our praises and sacrifices in thanksgiving for the favours we have already received: humbly beseeching thee to grant

those we now stand in need of. Thro'.

P. COMM.—O Almighty and eternal God, who both healest us by chastisement, and preservest us by the grant of thy pardon; hear our humble prayers; that we may rejoice in the ceasing of this storm, and always make a good use of the grant of thy favours. Thro?

For the Gift of Tears.

COLLECT.—O Almighty and most merciful God, who, to quench the thirst of thy people, madest water spring out of a rock; draw from our stony hearts the tears of compunction, that effectually bewailing our sins, we may, through thy mercy, obtain pardon for them. Thro'.

SECRET.—Mercifully look down, O Lord, on the offerings we make to thy majesty; and draw from our eyes such torrents of tears, as may extinguish the burning flames we deserve for our sins. Thro'.

P. COMM.—Mercifully pour forth into our hearts, O Lord God, the grace of thy holy Spirit: which, by sighs and tears, may make us wash away the stains of our sins, and obtain for us the desired pardon. Thro?

Against Evil thoughts.

COLLECT.—O Almighty and most merciful God, regard, in thy goodness, our prayers, and deliver our hearts from the disquietude of all perverse and evil thoughts: that we may become an abode for thy holy Spirit. Thro'.

ŠECRET.—We offer thee, O Lord, this sacrifice

of salvation: that purging our hearts from unclean thoughts, thou wouldst preserve them undefiled, and enlighten them by the grace of thy holy Spirit, Thro'.

P. COMM.—O God, who enlightenest every man coming into this world; illuminate, we beseech thee, our hearts with the light of thy grace, that always entertaining such thoughts as are worthy and well pleasing to thy divine Majesty, we may sincerely love thee. Thro'.

Psalm xix. Exaudiat.

EXAUDIATE Dominus in die tribulationis:* protegut te nomen Dei Jacob.

Mittat tibi auxilium de sancto:* et de Sion tueatur te.

Memor sit omnis sacrificii tui:* et holocaustum tuum pingue fiat.

Tribuat tibi secundum cor tuum:* et omne consilium tuum confirmet.

Lætabimur in salutare tuo:* et in nomine Dei nostri, magnificabimur.

Impleat Dominus omnes petitiones tuas:*nunc cognovi, quoniam salvum fecit Dominus Christum suum.

Exaudiat illum, de cœlo sancto suo: *in potentatibus, salus dextræ ejus.

Hi in curribus, et hi in equis:* Nos autem, in nomine Dei nostri, invocabimur.

Ipsi obligati sunt, et ceciderunt:* Nos autem surreximus, et erecti su mus.

Domine salvum fac regem:* et exaudi nos in die qua invocaverimus te. V. Gloria.

Oremus.—Quæsumus, p. xlvi.

ADESTE FIDELES, sung from Christmas-Day to the Octave-day of the Epiphany.

A DESTE fideles, læti triumphantes, Venite, venite in Bethlehem: Natum videte Regem Angelorum: Venite adoremus, venite adoremus, Venite adoremus Dominum.* Deum de Deo: lumen de lumine Gestant puellæ viscera: Deum verum genitum non factum Venite adoremus, venite, &c. to*. Cantet nunc Io, chorus Angelorum Cantet nunc aula cœlestium: Gloria in excelsis Deo: Venite adoremus, venite, &c. to*. . Ergo qui natus die hodierna, Jesu tibi sit gloria: Patris æterní, Verbum caro factum

Venite adoremus, venite, &c. to*.

The following Hymn is generally sung before solemr. Mass on Whitsunday.

ENI Creator Spiritus. Mentes tuorum visita, Imple superna gratia, Quæ tu creasti pectora.

Qui diceris Paraclitus, Altissimi donum Dei. Fons vivus, ignis, chari-

Et Spiritalis unctio. Tu septiformis munere,

Digitus pæternæ dexteræ, Turite promissum Patris, Sermone ditans guttura.

Accende lumen sensibus, Infunde amorem cordi-

bus:

Infirma nostri corporis, Virtute firmans perpeti. Hostem repellas longius,

Pacemque dones protinus Ductore sic te prævio, Vitemus omne noxium.

Per te sciamus da Patrem,

Noscamus atque Filium : Teque utriusque Spiritum.

Credamus omni tempore. Deo Patri, sit gloria.

Et Filio qui a mortuis; Surrexit ac Paraclito. In seculory on secula.

Amen

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FIVE POINTS or RESOLUTIONS

Which may be formed with much spiritual profit, either before or after hearing Mass.

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I destest and abhor, all and every one of the sins I have ever committed, or that have been committed by others from the beginning of the world to the present hour, or that may be hereafter committed to the end thereof: and would, with the grace of God, do my utmost to prevent them, which I therefore humbly implore.

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I extol and approve of all the good works that have been done from the beginning of the world, or that may be done hereafter to the consummation thereof: and would, with the help of God, multiply them, whose grace I most humbly implore.

III.

I purpose henceforth to direct all my thoughts, words and actions, to the greater glory of God, in union with all those good intentions which the saints have ever had—now have—or can possibly have hereafter.

IV.

I pardon and forgive, from the bottom of my hear:, all my enemies—all who calumniate or detract me—all who would by any means injure me, or wish that evil would befall me.

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O! that it were possible I could save all mankind by dying for each individual: this I would freely do by the help of the grace of God, which I therefore earnestly invoke, for without his grace, I can do nothing Ex. Missale Romano.

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